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FALL OF ANKING REPORTED.

NANKING WARSHIPS ASSIST THE ADVANCE.

DEATH OF BRITISH BLUEJACKET AT SHANGHAI.

DEADLOCK IN THE NORTH.

The continued advance up river of the Nationalist cruiser squadron belonging to the Nanking party and the continued retreat of the army of General Tang Seng-chi is the feature of reports from the North to-day. The latest message from Shanghai states that Nanking claims the capture of Anking, yesterday. Kiukiang is reported to be remaining neutral in the present conflict.

In connexion with the hostilities on the Yangtze, and the concentration of the Nanking troops against Hankow, the war between North and South has reached a deadlock, no further hostilities being reported from the northern front.

The death by drowning of a British bluejacket, belonging to H. M. S. Argus, is reported from Shanghai as occurring there yesterday. The deceased, named Taylor, was unmarried and a native of London.

There are definite indications from Canton that General Li Chai-sum has re-established full control. General Chang Fat-kwai is reported to be about "to proceed abroad."

CHANG FAT-KWAI LEAVING CANTON?

Shanghai, Oct. 26. The fleet of Nanking cruisers, under Admiral Chan Sui-fan, captured the towns of Kaiho and Tai-tung on the Yangtze (about 50 miles up river from Wuhan) on Monday, according to a claim made by the Nanking Government. It is further reported that the Nanking naval forces are continuing their advance up the river, and that the Wuhan forces are retreating along both banks. —*Nam Chung Pao.*

Further Progress. Shanghai, Oct. 26. The latest reports to hand from Nanking indicate that the Nanking forces captured Anking yesterday morning, and that the Wuhan troops retreated still further up the river towards Chien-shan. —*Nam Chung Pao.*

THE SOUTHERN SPLIT. Kiukiang Neutral. Shanghai, Oct. 26. According to reports here, the Southerners have full control at Nanking and Wuhan, but at Kiukiang General Chu Pei-tei still remains neutral as between the rival Nanking and Wuhan factions.

General Tang Seng-chi's intentions remain rather obscure. —*Naval Wireless.*

NORTHERN WAR STOPS. Effect of Yangtze Clash. Shanghai, Oct. 26. Owing to the fighting between Wuhan and Nanking, the situation between the Southerners and Northerners, north of Nanking, appears to have reached a deadlock. —*Naval Wireless.*

NANKING'S ADVANCE. Drive Against Tang. Shanghai, Oct. 26. The Nanking Government's 7th and 19th Armies on the Yangtze are marching on Luohowfu, while the 37th and 44th continue to advance on the South bank up-river. Generalissimo Chen Chien is at present at Wuhan.

It is reported that 20,000 Cantonese, apparently anti-Tang Seng-chi, have appeared in South Kiukiang. The whole of the 26th Army has crossed from Chinkiang to Tsing-kiangpu. It is estimated that at least 20,000 men have been withdrawn from the Shanghai area and Hangchow during the past week.

The military authorities are systematically and forcibly detaining all vessels at several points on the upper Yangtze, until they pay their release. —*Reuter.*

It is reported that the Wuhan Government has voted the sum of \$30,000 for the relief of Chinese in the ex-British Concession. —*Naval Wireless.*

PIRACY CHARGES.

"IRENE" CAPTIVES IN COURT.

A FORMAL REMAND.

After being in custody for four days, awaiting their production before the Magistrate, the seven Chinese charged with the piracy of the China Merchants Steamship Company's s.s. Irene, were arraigned before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, the Senior Magistrate, at the Central Police Court this morning.

The accused men were led up from the cells below into the dock, under close guard, and took their position in the following order:—Lau Hing, Li Kwong, Wong Tim, Hung Kwan, Chan Shi, Tse Wa, and Chan Shing.

Before the nature of the charge was explained to these men, it was necessary for the Court Interpreter to ask what dialect could best be understood by them. All the accused, with the exception of the sixth man who spoke Hakka, stated that they spoke *piant* or Cantonese.

They were not required to return any plea to the charge which was then only preferred in a formal way, and one of them was checked as he was embarking on a statement. Then still under close guard, with two detectives escorting each man, the accused were led away to their cells within the Prison.

The Court proceedings did not last more than five minutes as the men were only formally charged on their first appearance in Court. Mr. T. H. King, the Director of Criminal Intelligence, was the prosecuting Police Officer, and with him was Inspector Lane, of the Criminal Investigation Department.

The accused were as yet unrepresented by solicitors, but Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared to state that he was instructed to watch the case on behalf of the owners of the pirated ship. On an application from Mr. King, his Worship remanded the accused till Monday, at 2.15 in the afternoon.

Mr. King said it was desirable that the Crown Solicitor should be informed of any following day which could be set aside for proceeding with the case.

His Worship fixed provisionally the afternoons of Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, stating that on Tuesday he might be able to say what morning could be given to the case.

The charges read in the Court were to the effect that the seven accused, on October 19th and 20th, while on board the Irene, then sailing in the vicinity of Ockseu Islands, in the China Sea, committed the following acts of piracy:—

Firstly, that they combined in an attack on the officers of the ship, namely, John Henry Hansen, George Innes, Alex Zaiorchikovskiy, Archibald Hodge, Harold Halvik, and Albert Bernard Demee, and that they also attacked and wounded Chan Fung Wai, a mess-room boy.

Secondly, that they seized the ship and robbed the passengers of their personal effects and property, including one gold ring and other jewellery, the property of a passenger, named Foo Ching-leung; \$40 in money belonging to a second passenger, named Chan Lin-fui; \$120 belonging to another passenger, Yau Shui-soi; and \$20 belonging to Chuen Chuen.

As regards General Chang himself, it is stated that he is going abroad to study military tactics, apparently in accordance with well-known precedent. Another commander who is to leave China for a spell is General Yeh Chen-ying. General Chang's chief-of-staff, who is going to Germany, his expenses being paid by the Provincial Treasury of Kwang-tung.

The final stage in the new anti-"Red" campaign in Canton is seen in the order, issued over the week-end, for the dissolution of the illegally formed Workers' Congress Special Executive Committee. This took the place of the reorganisation committee appointed by the authorities some time back, but now is to be disbanded.

WUHAN MONEY GRANT. For Hankow Chinese. Hankow, Oct. 25. It is reported that the Wuhan Government has voted the sum of \$30,000 for the relief of Chinese in the ex-British Concession. —*Naval Wireless.*

BIG TOBACCO WAR LIKELY.

A BRITISH-AMERICAN CONFLICT?

B. A. T. INVOLVED.

London, Oct. 25. The reduced market valuation in the week of over £10,000,000 in the shares of the Imperial Tobacco Company and the British-American Tobacco Company, has attracted attention in view of the reported impending war with American interests.

It is stated that the latter are about to start a price cutting war in Britain, principally concentrated on cigarettes, owing to the violation of an agreement by the British-American Tobacco Company allocating markets of the world between conflicting interests.

This led to the formation of the Imperial Tobacco Company to operate British markets, and its creation included subsidiary companies in the Dominions.

The Stock Exchange, however, doubts the probability of the cigarette price war, owing to the heavy losses if quality is maintained and the cost of extensive alteration to the plants if more cigarettes are packed.

Another consideration is the great popularity of automatic cigarette machines, which would require expensive re-adjustment.

In the meantime the acquisition of the controlling interest by American manufacturers in a largely advertised brand of cigarettes, belonging to an English firm outside the two big combines, was announced to-day. —*Reuter.*

PORTUGAL WELCOMES AIR VOYAGERS.

MISS ELDER AS A MODERN QUEEN ELISABETH.

Lisbon, Oct. 25.

The would-be trans-Atlantic fliers, Miss Ruth Elder and Captain Haldeman, arrived here on board the steamer Lima.

There were extraordinary scenes, and they were given an enthusiastic welcome. The American Minister, Legation staff, Portuguese airmen, and others went out to meet the Lima, aeroplanes circling aloft. Students spread their cloaks on the quayside for Miss Elder to walk on. The police had the utmost difficulty to break through the crowds.

The pair were driven to the palace to receive the President's congratulations. They are the guests of the American Legation. —*Reuter.*

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL TO STAND.

FOR LANCASHIRE SEAT.

London, Oct. 25.

Sir Herbert Samuel, the former Liberal Minister who was High Commissioner for Palestine from 1920 to 1925, announced to-day that he has accepted an invitation to stand as Parliamentary candidate for the Darwen division of Lancashire.

Sir Herbert Samuel has recently taken a prominent part with Mr. Lloyd George in the new Liberal campaign. —*British Wireless.*

POLAND TAKES TO COTTON.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH AMERICA.

Warsaw, Oct. 25.

The Lodz textile manufacturers are negotiating with America for large credits for the purchase of cotton from the United States.

In addition the Lodz cotton spinners are negotiating for a long-term £810,000,000 loan, for the introduction of modernised equipment in the mills. —*Reuter.*

DASH TO ESCAPE.

PRISONER SLIPS HIS HANDCUFFS.

A TWENTY-FOOT DROP.

An exciting chase after an escaped prisoner, who had been sentenced at the Kowloon Magistracy, occurred on Monday afternoon, when the man was being transferred to the prison at Police Headquarters. He was quickly re-captured, however.

The offender had been sentenced to six months with hard labour, and 20 strokes with the birch, for snatching a gold bangle from the wrist of a child who was being carried off the s.s. Talamba on Friday by her father.

It appears that when he had been brought across the harbour, and was on the threshold of the prison, he suddenly freed his hands, and leaping over a side wall, which is about five feet high, dropped on the other side, a distance of about 20 feet, into Arbuthnot Road, and then ran in the direction of Pottenger Street.

A hue and cry was raised immediately, and the man was chased down Pottenger Street. He was apprehended while knocking at the back door of a house between Hollywood Road and Wellington Street, asking for admittance.

When he was recaptured, it was found that his hands were badly bruised, and cut, caused no doubt by his persistent efforts to slip his hands through the loops of the handcuffs while being transferred to Headquarters.

COURT GOES INTO MOURNING.

SYMPATHY FOR LOSS OF QUEEN'S BROTHER.

London, Oct. 25.

Messages of sympathy with the King and Queen in the death of the Queen's brother, the Marquess of Cambridge, who died yesterday following an operation, have been received by their Majesties from all parts of the Empire. Public engagements of members of the Royal Family, including the projected visit of the Prince of Wales to Shrewsbury, where the Marquess of Cambridge lived, have been cancelled.

Arrangements for the funeral and court mourning will be settled to-day. —*British Wireless.*

Court Mourning.

London, Oct. 25.

Court mourning for the Marquess of Cambridge will be two weeks, full mourning for the first week and half mourning for the second. —*Reuter.*

In an announcement issued from Buckingham Palace, the King commands that the Court wear mourning for two weeks from this day, for the Marquess of Cambridge, brother-in-law of His Majesty. The Court will change to half mourning on Tuesday, November 1.

The announcement regarding the funeral will be made to-morrow.

Flags on Government offices and other public buildings were flown at half mast to-day. —*British Wireless.*

FRENCH TARIFF DISPUTE.

AMERICA'S LATEST NOTE.

Paris, Oct. 25.

It is understood that the American Tariff Note marks a step towards agreement. America has, apparently, renounced her demand for treatment more advantageous to that which she had before August 30, and has agreed to enter into immediate negotiations with France on condition that in the meantime American goods shall not have less favourable treatment than before August 30.

The Note also offers to abandon the practice of enquiring into costs and prices in factories. —*Reuter.*

KOWLOON MURDER CASE.

FATHER ALLEGED TO HAVE KILLED DAUGHTER.

QUESTION OF SANITY.

Stated to have been insane at the time he committed the deed, Wong Yui-yeung, was remanded by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of murdering his 16-year old daughter, on September 24.

Detective Sub-Inspector Dorling stated that the defendant had been certified to have been insane at the time he committed the deed. He (Insp. Dorling) had been instructed to ask for a remand from time to time, while the Attorney General was investigating the case, until such time as it should be decided how the defendant should be dealt with. It was probable that he would be placed in an asylum.

It appears that the defendant, together with his wife and daughter, were living on the first floor of No. 88 Canton Road, Kowloon, and that the defendant's daughter was taken ill about ten days before she was murdered. The defendant was very much attached to his daughter and her illness preyed on his mind to such an extent that on the night of September 24 he secured a razor and cut his daughter's throat, killing her instantaneously. He then attempted to commit suicide by cutting his own throat, but the cut was not deep enough to cause death.

After receiving first aid from Sub-Inspector Dorling, the man was removed to hospital where he was attended by Dr. J. E. Dovey.

WORLD DISARMAMENT PRELIMINARIES.

FOURTH PREPARATORY SESSION.

Geneva, Oct. 25.

M. Loudon, the chairman of the preparatory commission to the League of Nations disarmament conference, has convened the fourth session of the commission for November 30.

The agenda includes considerations passed by the League Assembly and Council. —*Reuter.*

CANADA'S NEWSPRINT.

WORLD'S LARGEST OUTPUT.

Ottawa, Oct. 25.

The figures of the September production of newsprint show that Canada has supplanted the United States as the world's largest producer.

Canada in September produced over 178,000 tons whereas the United States produced over 114,000 tons. Three years ago the United States' production exceeded Canada's but newsprint is now easily Canada's largest export of wholly manufactured products. —*Reuter's American Service.*

EUGENE CHEN'S DENIAL.

NOT MARRIED TO MADAME SUN.

Moscow, Oct. 25.

Mr. Eugene Chen has returned from South Russia. He denies that he has married the widow of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen and describes the rumour as "a malicious fabrication, savouring of political sacrilege in view of the deep reverence in which he holds Madame." —*Reuter.*

TO-DAY.

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The Indian merchants in Hongkong yesterday celebrated the Divali festival. The celebrations will be continued for another two days at the Indian Merchants Club.

SERIOUS CHARGE.

FOREIGN CONSTABLE IN COURT.

ALLEGED OPIUM OFFENCE.

The hearing of the case of J. G. Huston, a constable in the River police, who was charged at the British Police Court, on October 13, and remanded in custody by Magistrate I. T. Morris, with that he on October 10 and 11 attempted to import into China certain goods, the importation of which is prohibited, a quantity of opium, was resumed at Shanghai last week.

Inspector J. J. Bowers, of the River police, prosecuted, and after evidence of arrest had been given, the hearing was adjourned until last Friday.

Mr. R. F. C. Master, assisted by Inspector Bournes, of the River Police, appeared for the prosecution, whilst Mr. Tycho Wing defended.

"I appear for the Chinese Maritime Customs in prosecution of Constable Huston on five charges," began Mr. Master on the resumption on Friday. "The first three charges are that on the 10th and 11th of October, the defendant attempted to unlawfully import a quantity of opium, he also attempted to deal in opium, and on or about the 10th of October he unlawfully entered into negotiation to deal in opium. The other two charges, which have been added this morning are that he attempted to bribe persons from reporting the matter to the proper authorities. The accused is a constable in the Chinese Maritime Customs, and the charges before the Court arise out of events which took place on the night of October 10 and early morning of the 11th."

Mr. Master outlined the case, saying that the accused, whilst on duty, had passengers on the launch and went out of limits to Pootung carrying some twenty Chinese on board, and that whilst there went alongside a.s. Pingwo, on board which steamer his passengers disappeared, and that after firing was commenced they jumped down into the launch, damaging the awnings, and were taken to the N.Y.K. wharf, where they disembarked, one of the men asking the accused to visit him the next day at the Zou Tsoung Hotel in Hankow Road. When coming off duty the defendant did not report the matter, and said nothing at all.

Inspector Called.

Inspector N. J. Bournes, in charge of the Yangtze River Police Station, stated that the accused was on duty on October 10 from 10 p.m. to 5.30 a.m.

The accused returned to the station at 9.30 p.m. that night, he was off duty. This report was handed to me then.

To Inspector Bournes, Wetmore Road station, October 11, 1927.

Sir,—When going alongside Holt's Wharf at 1.10 a.m. on the 10th, the launch endeavoured to moor, to the outside of a launch laying there. The tide was running in very strong, also the wind blowing across the river, causing the launch to go alongside quicker than the launch thought for. In doing this the awning became foul with the other launch, and breaking some of the bamboo ribs and tearing the same.

J. G. Huston.

It is signed by the accused and it was handed to me by the sergeant on duty.

Did the accused make any other report to you subsequently? When I saw him on the evening of the 11th he wished to make another report. I advised him to do so in writing, which he did. This is the report:

To Inspector Bournes. Sir,—Last night, October 10, 1927, when going on duty I went first to N. Y. K. wharf, so P. C. Bridges and Detective No. 2 and a fireman could go home, then I proceeded down river to No. 30 buoy to put a friend on board his ship. Him and I were drinking all afternoon after he left the ship at 2.30 p.m. with me, and we went to my home and was drinking all the evening.

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I have therefore prepared an advertisement for insertion in your paper attached to which there is a printed form addressed to the Honorary Treasurer, which I hope that persons wishing to subscribe will fill in and send with their subscriptions to the Honorary Treasurer.—Yours, etc.

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RUMANIAN THRONE.

INVITATION TO PRINCE CAROL IS DENIED.

Bucharest, Oct. 25.

An official statement issued by the Government repudiates the reports published abroad regarding the Carlist movement in Rumania. It declares that Prince Carol attempted to send an invitation to the heads of the various parties including the Prime Minister with the object of inducing the Rumanian people to give their decision in the question of his recall to the throne.

The statement declares that "since such an act is a direct attack on the constitutional order and the safety of the State Manoliesco, the agent by whom the letter was sent had been arrested and brought before the court. The Government was firmly determined to preserve National order and to take all necessary measures to prevent any future attempts of a similar nature.—*Reuter.*"

OBITUARY

SOLOMON DAVIES WARFIELD.

Baltimore, Oct. 25.

The death is reported of Mr. Solomon Davies Warfield, the prominent banker.—*Reuter.*

[Mr. Solomon Davies Warfield was the organizer of the Warfield Manufacturing Company. He was a member of the company which consolidated the railway properties constituting the S.A.L. Railway Company, and of the Consolidated Gas Company. He was a pioneer in the development of the Susquehanna River for electric power purposes and in that of several other public service corporations in the United States.]

KING FUAD.

VISITS PARIS MOSQUE AND MUSSULMAN INSTITUTE.

London, Oct. 25.

The King of Egypt visited the mosque and the Mussulman Institute and presented 100,000 francs towards the building fund.—*Reuter.*

SENT TO GAOL.

POLICE "SQUEEZE" CASE ENDS.

After an exhaustive defence raised by Mr. E. Davidson, which was later supplemented by Mr. C.A.S. Russ and Mr. A.E. Hall, the case against the seven Chinese constables, in charge of the supervision of hawkers, was concluded at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Mr. R. E. Lindsell passed sentence of six months' hard labour.

The Magistrate before announcing the sentence expressed the opinion that it had been abundantly proved that there was in existence an agreement between the seven defendants to take illegal exactions—commonly called "squeeze"—from hawkers.

As regards the second charge of misconduct as police constables, Mr. R. E. Lindsell stated that he would discharge all the defendants on that count because he agreed with the contention of the defence that misconduct had not been proved on any specific instance.

The Defence.

Mr. E. Davidson, who represented the fifth defendant, by virtue of the fact that he was the senior solicitor was privileged to address his Worship on the general lines of the defence. Dealing with the charge of conspiracy against all the defendants Mr. Davidson reminded his Worship that the actual conspiracy must be proved with as much certainty as in the case of other offences. There must be evidence to support the charge so that it could be brought home without reasonable doubt.

Reviewing the evidence offered to his Worship by the prosecution, Mr. Davidson said that there were three reasons why he submitted that there was no conspiracy at all. His first contention was that there was a possibility that, when the police raided the house in Station Street, the defendants were there in the midst of some game of chance. Alternatively they might have been there for some other purpose which might not be honourable and that accounted for their desire to escape. He reminded his Worship that so long as the defendants' presence in that room could be justified by some other hypothesis than that they were there in connexion with the "squeeze" system, then that particular evidence could not be relied upon as evidence of conspiracy.

Continuing Mr. Davidson argued that even if the men were there for the purpose of dividing the spoils, as alleged by the prosecution, that in itself would not be conspiracy. For all his Worship knew, that might have been the first time the defendants got together.

Conflicting Evidence.

Referring to the evidence given by the hawkers in the course of the different sittings of the court, Mr. Davidson cited from many authorities to show that the act of one man could not be regarded as evidence against another in a case of conspiracy. In the case which was before the Court Mr. Davidson pointed out that, so far from there being any conspiracy, there seemed to be evidence which was markedly to the contrary, as for instance, evidence which showed the existence of different passwords during the same week.

Mr. Davidson next touched upon the wording of the charge. He referred to the words "illegal exactions" and contended that even if his Worship accepted all the evidence given so far, there was no proof that the defendants made illegal exactions from hawkers.

Mr. Lindsell: You mean to say that there is no proof that the exactions reached the constables? Mr. Davidson: There is no proof that what these people did was to

BENGUET GOLD.

NEW VEIN ASSAYS \$200 TO A TON OF ORE.

A mine surveyor of the Philippines Bureau of Lands, ordered to verify the report that a rich vein had been struck in the mining claims of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Company, states in a report to the Director of Lands "that there is nothing extraordinary in the find."

From experience and observation, he says, he believes there are several veins in the region that are just as rich if the miners only dig deep enough.

The vein is inside the patented Minnesota claim of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Company, according to the report. The richest portion, which is said to assay \$30,000 a ton, is small, being only 15 feet long, although the miners appear to catch it up again. The vein assays \$200 a ton on an average, says the report.

Bureau of Lands officials emphasized the difference between \$30,000 and \$200, pointing out that the latter sum, while less astounding, is more nearly accurate.

take certain moneys and refrain from arresting hawkers for breach of their licenses.

A Personal Opinion.

Proceeding with the argument Mr. Davidson said that even if moneys did reach the constables that would not constitute an exaction. The obvious contention of the prosecution was that these people paid in order to avoid being arrested on false accusations. Mr. Davidson said that if any witness did inform his Worship that that was the case, then that witness was only giving an expression of his personal opinion.

Mr. Lindsell then remarked that the words "illegal exactions" conveyed to him what the commoner word "squeeze" usually implied.

Dealing with the second charge Mr. Davidson said that the remarkable point about the accusation was that no specific date or time was given. Although the defendants were supposed to have accepted bribes, yet not a single amount was given and he asked his Worship to say that it was not fair to expect the defendants to raise any defence on such a broad and vague charge.

"Some" Evidence.

Mr. Russ in rising to address the Magistrate said that the way in which the prosecution put forward their case made it impossible for the defendants to say anything for themselves. He commented on the evidence given by the hawkers and said that in most cases the witness remembered "something" which he did "somewhere" which was in connexion with "someone." He said that there was so much indefinite evidence with which he had to deal that he must liken the prosecution's case to that of the attorney who said to the judge: "I know my points are weak, but cannot your Worship bunch them together."

In a brief speech in defence of his clients, Mr. A. E. Hall pointed out that for the purpose of the prosecution unlicensed hawkers had been given a temporary licence to hawk if they agreed to give evidence in court against the defendants. As regards the passwords, Mr. Hall stated that when a constable was satisfied that a hawker had a licence he was entitled to pass on.

Mr. Lindsell: One of the witnesses, on being asked if he had a licence, replied "Yes, bananas."

Mr. Hall replied that so long as the hawker said yes, it did not matter to the constable what further remarks were made. The fact that a password was uttered by a hawker did not necessarily show that the constable was aware of it.

This closed the defence and Mr. Lindsell passed sentence as stated above.

ANGLOPHOBIA.

CHICAGO MAYOR'S THREAT REPLIED TO BY CANADA.

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 25.

In view of the threats of Mayor Thompson of Chicago to burn all pro-British books in Chicago's Municipal Library, Mr. Treleven, Mayor of Hamilton, has telegraphed to Mr. Thompson, "If Chicago has no further use for the 7,000 volumes presented by Queen Victoria and prominent English citizens after the fire of 1871 the City of Hamilton, Canada, will be glad to take over the books."

Taxpayer Brings Action.

Chicago, Oct. 25.

A taxpayer named Bohac with three children attending school, has filed suit to restrain the Mayor from executing his threat to burn pro-British books because the latter are "public property purchased by the proceeds of taxation and if they are destroyed he will be deprived of their use and enjoyment."—*Reuter's American Service.*

TARIFF QUARREL.

FURTHER AMERICAN REPLY TO FRANCE.

Paris, Oct. 25.

Le Journal says that the new American Note points out that the United States does not demand favoured treatment but merely desires the immediate suppression of the surtaxes which have been imposed on certain American products in consequence of tariff modifications resulting from the Franco German agreement. The Note says that when this is done practical negotiation of a treaty can be begun.—*Reuter.*

REDS QUARREL.

PROMISES FORGOTTEN.

Moscow, Oct. 25.

The resolution of the joint session of the Central Committee of the Central Controlling Commission Communist Party expelling Trotsky and Zinovieff says that the plenary sitting of last August displayed the utmost tolerance, giving the couple a last opportunity to fulfil their promise to abandon factional strife. Nevertheless they grossly failed in their undertakings and carried factional strife to a point bordering on the creation of a new party jointly with bourgeois intellectuals.—*Reuter.*

WORLD'S SHIPPING.

JUNE FIGURES SHOW RECORD TONNAGE AFLOAT.

London, Oct. 25.

The fact that a record 30,000,000 tons of shipping were afloat in June, 4,250,000 tons of which were motor ships, is revealed in Lloyd's annual return.

To this should be added 2,000,000 tons under construction. New plans were laid down last year for 400 vessels of 1,832,000 tons, the highest since 1920, sixty-six per cent of which will be built in Britain.—*Reuter.*

CHINA REPRESENTED.

BERTHELOT FESTIVITIES IN PARIS.

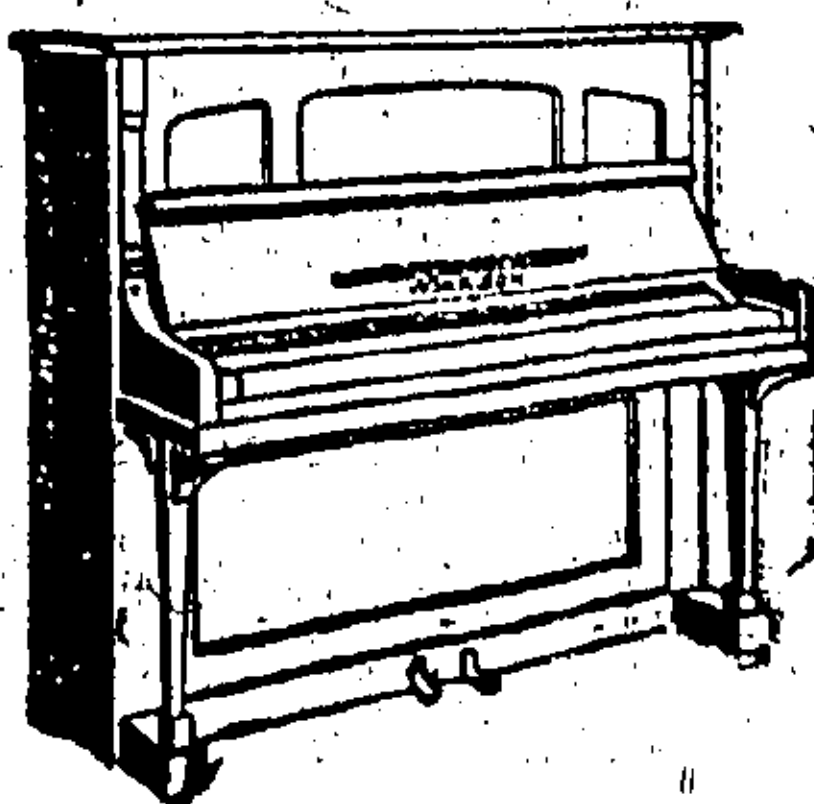
Paris, Oct. 25.

Among the representatives of the sixty nations attending the Berthelot festivities is the Chinese consul general in Paris.—*Havas.*

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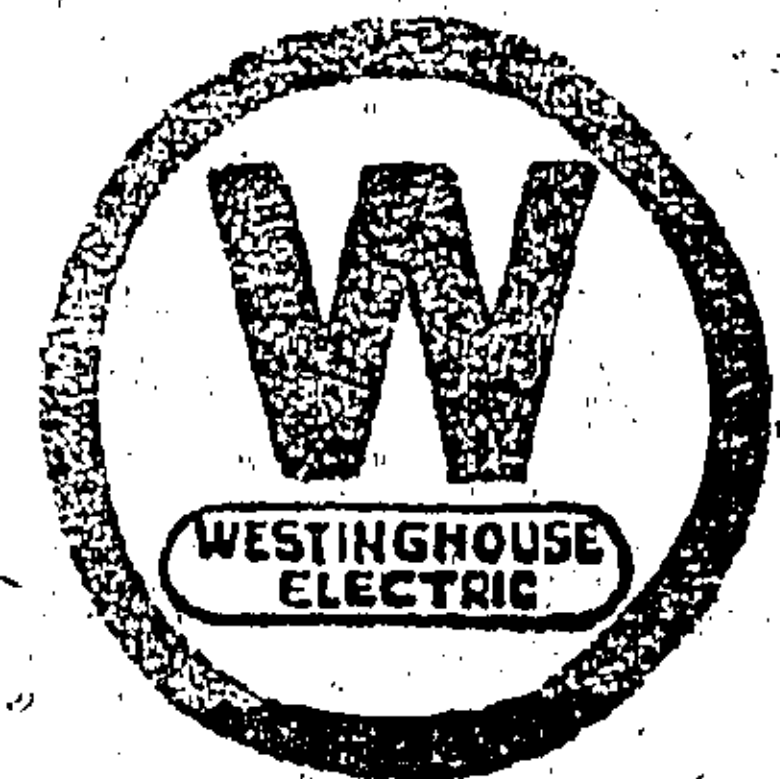
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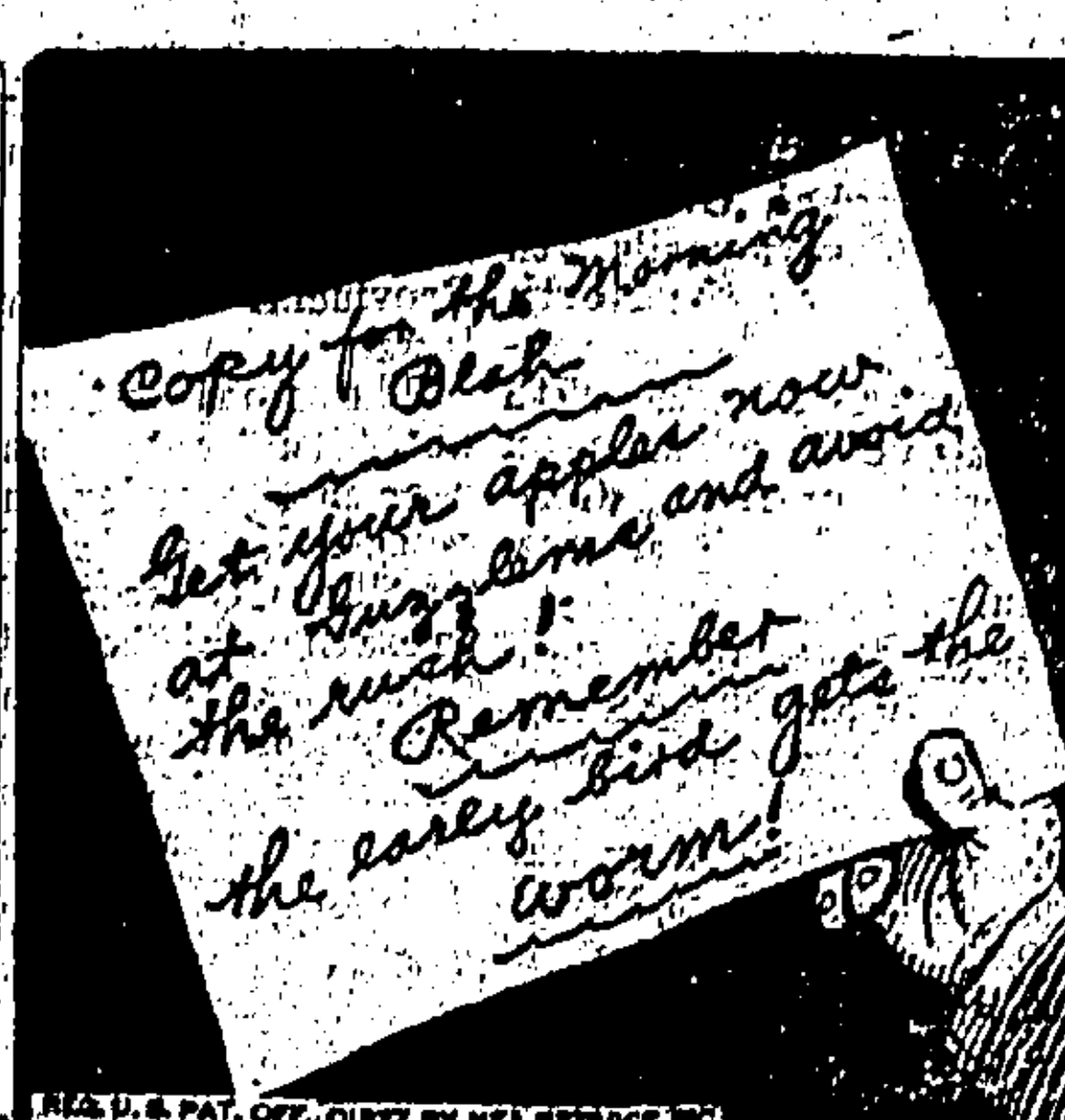
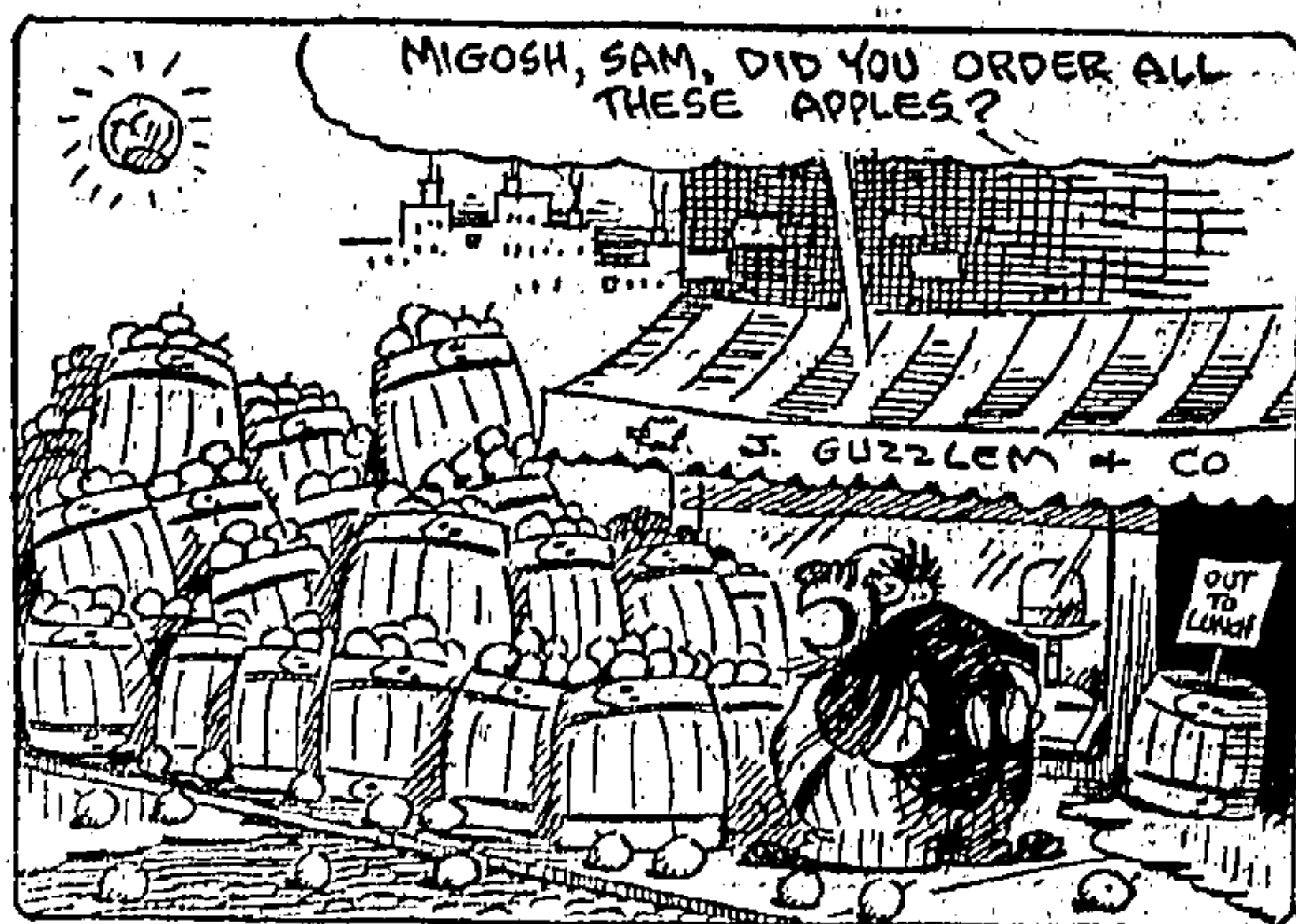
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KING GUSTAV OF SWEDEN.—The King of Sweden fifth from left, and members of his family on the steps of Uppsala University during the celebrations marking the 450th anniversary of the founding of the university by Archbishop Jacob Ulfsson. (Times copy-right).



SEEN AT DANISH GARDEN PARTY.—A group of well-known Danes who were present at the garden party given at the Danish Consulate-General, Shanghai, in honour of the King of Denmark's birthday.



PHILADELPHIA'S LITTLE GOLD RUSH.—It started when house wreckers struck a vein of five and twenty-buck gold coins on the site of an old building dating back to Civil War days. And when the news spread—how they stampeded to stake out claims and comb the pay dirt, as pictured here.



LEGION MASCOT.—A favourite among the Second A. E. F. in Paris is Jay Ward, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., the convention mascot. Jay was selected from a multitude of youngsters who aspired to wear the mascot's snappy uniform.



A NEW DANCE.—The "devil dance" will as be popular as the Black Bottom soon, those who follow Gilda Gray predict. Here is Gilda in one of the steps of her alleged satanic guesture.



FASHIONABLE CHINESE WEDDING.—Mr. Lee Tsu-fa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yuen-shu, and his bride, Miss Tang Ing, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. N. A. Tang, after their wedding at Union Church, Shanghai, recently. The ceremony was performed by Mr. George Fitch. Both bride and bridegroom are well known in Shanghai foreign and Chinese circles.



IN FOOTUNG MODEL VILLAGE.—A group of visitors to the Model Village for industrial workers, which comprises 20 well-designed and tidy homes with a community house which also serves as a school for the village children. In the group, reading from left to right, are: Messrs. Yinson Lee and N. L. Han (Directors), O. Harpur (Commissioner of Public Works), M. T. Tehou, R. K. Varyard, B. D. F. Boith, C. H. Arnold, R. Calder Marshall, P. G. Gilmour, H. Baring Leace, G. W. Pettitt, and at the extreme right, F. W. Soong (manager of the Model Village).

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PROSECUTIONS UNDER NEW EDINBURGH ACT.

Five dog owners appeared before Bailie Hay and Mr. Oswald Barclay, J.P., at a J.P. Court held in Edinburgh Burgh Court in mail week to answer the first prosecutions that have been brought under a Local Authority regulation called the Midlothian Control of Dogs Order (1925).

The charges were that the parties had failed to control their dogs between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise "either by confining them in kennel or securing them on some premises by a collar and chain; or by accompanying them as owner and keeping them under effective control."

All the parties were admonished, but the Court indicated that future cases would be more severely dealt with.

One woman said that someone else had taken out her dog in the early afternoon, and although she searched in the evening she could not find him.

Another woman explained that her dog was whining during the night, and she had let him out in ignorance of the regulations.

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"GHOST" HUNTERS AT DUNDEE QUARRIES.

"APPARITIONS" SAID TO BE CAUSED BY BUSH.

A "ghost" hunt on a large scale took place in Dundee recently, when over 5,000 people of all ages went in search of the "spooks" which have been appearing near Craigie Quarries.

The crowd gathered early in the evening, intent on laying the "ghost" or "ghosts" which have been causing such terror in the district. Nothing, however, manifested itself.

Residents in the district have been greatly troubled by unusual goings on, but (says the Dundee Courier), according to many they would rather have had the "ghosts" than the crowd which gathered last night.

A white sheet has been observed by more than one person lying on the high ground near the quarries. It is possibly part of the equipment of the "ghosts." The sheet has been lying for several days.

Armed with lamps, torches, and even a miniature searchlight, the crowd surged over all the waste ground in the vicinity, but failed to unearth anything of an unusual nature.

According to the Daily Record, the "ghost" scare has, after investigation by the police, turned out to have been caused by a broom bush which, in the dusk, showed a grey-white colour.

The bush has been removed—and the "ghost" walks no more.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1145 s.

Chartered Bank, £203 n.

Mercantile A. & B., £312 n.

Mercantile C., £133 n.

P. and O., £10 n.

East Asia, \$68 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$570 n.

China Underwriters, \$120 n.

North China, Tls. 143 n.

Union Ins., \$392 b.

Yangtze Ins., \$46 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fires, \$235 n.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$590 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$35 b.

H. K. Steamboats, \$21 s.

H. K. Tugs, \$190 n.

Indo-China, (Pref.) \$30 n.

Shell Trans., 90/- n.

Sar Perries, \$54 n.

Waterboats, \$17 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$13 n.

Malabons, \$30 s.

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Benguets, \$2 b.

Kailans, 62/6 n.

Langkats, Tls. \$16.60 b.

Shai Exploration, Tls. 3 s.

Shanghai Loans, Tls. 5.30 b.

Raub, \$37 b.

Tronohs, 19/3 n.

Ural Caspians, 3/- n.

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Kowloon Wharves, \$119 b.

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Tramways, \$20 sa.

Peak Trams, (old) \$14 s.

Singapore Trams, 12/9 n.

Miscellaneous.

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China Prov., \$4 n.

Constructions, \$12 n.

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Der A. Wing, \$8 n.

H. K. G. Loan, 1% Prom.

Macao Electric, \$43 n.

Ropes (Old) \$10 n.

Lane Crawfords, \$5 s.

Macintosh, \$22 s.

Sinocera, \$4 n.

United Abetogs, \$12 s.

Watsons, \$117 n.

Powells, \$5 s.

Telephone, 3.65 s.

B'quo Indus., G. & Bonds, \$24 b.

GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEMES.

SWINDLER WHO MADE £200,000.

Described by a detective as a "plausible and unscrupulous swindler" who had obtained nearly £200,000 from the public by fraud in the last 20 years, Joseph Aspinall (58), an engineer, of Holland Park Avenue, London, was sentenced at the Old Bailey, in mail week, to four years' penal servitude for conspiracy to defraud and obtaining money by false pretences.

His son, James Arthur Aspinall (27), also described as an engineer, was sentenced to nine months' imprisonment in the Second Division for complicity in the offences.

The two men pleaded guilty to charges of inciting people to part with money in connexion with a so-called pool of shares of the New Grozny Oilfields (Ltd.), it being falsely represented that the great majority of the shares were controlled by Joseph Aspinall and the Plymouth Mining Co., which the Aspinalls carried on in Shaftesbury Avenue, London.

A Rough Diamond.

It was stated they obtained nearly £16,000 from forty-three persons in connexion with a bogus pool in shares of the New Grozny Oilfields (Limited), a perfectly genuine and reputable Company holding large tracts of oil-bearing land in Russia, but this property at the moment was valueless, having been confiscated by the Bolsheviks. In another case they obtained over £5,000 by false pretences from a retired bank manager of Kensington.

The counsel for the prosecution said he thought Joseph Aspinall's success as a swindler was due to his bluff manner. He had been a miner, and always posed as a self-made man who was a bit of a rough diamond.

Inspector Cornelius said that in the present case 43 persons had parted with £15,818, none of which was repaid.

In my opinion, Inspector Cornelius added, Aspinall, sen., is not a clever man, but is very plausible. Some people say he has such a plausible tongue that he could induce a duck to come off a pond. He had been previously convicted on three occasions.

Wild-Cat Schemes.

The Recorder said the case revealed a most remarkable set of circumstances. It showed how the desire to get rich quick and the love of speculation can lead otherwise sane and level-minded citizens to invest their hard-earned gains in any "wild cat" scheme put before them by any plausible person. Although there is a Stock Exchange and other places where they can get reliable advice at reasonable interest on their money, they are imposed upon wholesale.

The list of persons defrauded in the case before him, the Recorder proceeded, included a Yorkshire man, a retired bank manager from Kensington, a company director from Nottingham, an architect from Bedford, an auctioneer from London, a grocer from Scotland, and numerous other people from different parts of the country. Had they made any inquiry they would have found that Joseph Aspinall had twice been made a bankrupt and three times convicted.

But the elder Aspinall had appeared so bluff and honest and took so much interest in the funds of the investors that it put them off their guard.

The case ought to be a lesson to people not to hazard their money unless they first made inquiry into the honesty of the best policy.

FATAL CLIMB TO LIVE WIRE.

LIVED WEEK AFTER 11,000 VOLT SHOCK.

A 17-year-old boy, Lemoine Davies, of Pentre, Oswestry, while out with companions at Chirk, climbed one of the steel towers which support the main electric transmission line of the North Wales Power Company, and touched the live wire.

There were three flashes like lightning and Davies was hurled 40 feet to the ground with his clothes aflame. His right leg and back were burned.

He was taken to Chirk Cottage Hospital, where he died after surprising the doctors by lingering for a week. He had received a shock of 11,000 volts.

At the inquest at Chirk recently, Bertha Davies, a young motor driver, said the dead boy was appeared to not to climb the standard, but he took no notice.



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HESPERUS DID NOT SINK ON NORMAN'S WOE.

SEARCH FOR THE WRECK.

There was no wreck of the Hesperus on the reef of Norman's Woe, according to the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.

What Government office will take up the question whether a boy over stood on the burning deck? ask the New York Literary Digest. Of course it may come to mean something serious to Gloucester if her growing sea traffic should meet such an impediment as a sunken ship, and the Utica Press recognises the reasonableness of its fears:—

"The Maritime Association of Gloucester, Massachusetts, recently requested a new survey of Gloucester Harbour, where the Hesperus was supposed to have gone down. This was represented as being necessary because of increased shipping and in the interest of favourable marine insurance rates.

Captain W. E. Parker, after investigating the request, announced that a new survey of the inner harbour and the Annisquam River will be made during the summer of 1928. The original topographic survey was made in 1851. Hydrographic surveys of the harbour and vicinity were made in 1894, and additional work was done in 1897 and 1904.

"Gloucester Harbour and vicinity has been the scene of many maritime disasters, and is widely celebrated in literature. Longfellow's poem, 'The Wreck of the Hesperus' has for its locale Norman's Woe, a dangerous reef near the entrance to Gloucester Harbour. The Coast and Geodetic Survey made an extensive wire-drag survey of the waters surrounding this reef in 1916. Although not intended primarily as such, this was the first and only thorough search ever made for the Hesperus. The wreck of this ship has only tradition as its basis, but the survey seems to have definitely disproved its existence.

"It did, however, locate the wrecks of two ships offshore, in the open sea, in about twenty fathoms of water. Their identity could not be learned, but it was declared that neither could have been the Hesperus. Both ships were of comparatively recent times, it was stated, since the masts were not tall enough for ships of the earlier days, such as the Hesperus was supposed to have been."

"A Myth."

The Kansas City Star comments:—"Just what does the Coast and Geodetic Survey imagine it has established, in the way of poetic criticism, by its discovery that Longfellow's 'Wreck of the Hesperus' is a myth? Of course it is a myth. So is the siege of Troy and the message that was carried from Ghent to Aix. Browning wrote about that famous gallop when he was on shipboard. He liked good gallops—on shipboard and in his library; he was not even on horseback, we believe, when he wrote 'The Last Ride Together,' that occasion, you know, when he noted the slightest rise of his companions' eyebrow, a difficult thing to note at a gallop.

"But what of it? Shall we throw all poetry out of our libraries that deals with mythical subjects? We should have little left, we fear. If there is no wreckage of the Hesperus under the reefs of Norman's Woe there are plenty of other wrecks there, and one would have served Longfellow as well as another, and will serve us.

"We need not even inquire too closely—and we hope the Coast and Geodetic Survey will not think it necessary to investigate the point as to whether any skipper wrecked in those waters had taken his little daughter aboard to bear him company. If the Coast and Geodetic Survey should look into that matter, and even find a skipper's daughter, it doubtless would discover her

BLACKSMITH M.P.

LIBERAL WHIP STILL WORKS AT ANVIL.

"I am thoroughly satisfied with the trade I have been taught, and there is nothing I like better than working at the anvil," said Mr. T. D. Fenby, M.P., when interviewed recently.

Mr. Fenby, who represents East Bradford in the House of Commons, and is the English Liberal Whip, carries on the business of a blacksmith at Bridlington. He had just finished a day's work yesterday at the smithy when the interview took place. "I am at work every day," said Mr. Fenby, except when engaged on my Parliamentary duties or seeing constituents in my division. "I was at work until eight o'clock on Monday night, and I have just been fixing some iron palisading which we made here."

My work consists, of course, in shoeing horses, putting iron tyres on cartwheels, and doing all the work of a general smith. A lot of people come to see me at work, many of them visiting me from Bradford. A surprising number come because they have never seen a horse shod in their lives.

There are fewer men working as smiths than ever before to-day, and there are fewer apprentices coming into the trade. At the same time, I do not see how the business can die out. As long as there are horses there must be shoes, and while you can make shoes by machinery you cannot shoe horses by that means. Develops the Brain.

Asked whether he approved of the modern innovation of rubber shoes, he replied:—"Yes, they are good, provided the right kind are used. I consider that a horse's foot needs air, and if you cover it completely you are not admitting air."

I represent the third generation of smiths in our family. It is, of course, an ancient craft, but it has not been very remunerative. They say you need a thick head and a strong back to be a blacksmith. I do not agree. Rather I agree with the remark made by a Board of Education inspector that so far as boys are concerned there is nothing that develops their brains so much as work on the anvil. He did not know what my craft was, although at the time he was addressing the governors of a school of which I am vice-chairman.

Curiously enough, no one who sees me thinks I am a blacksmith, because I am rather light.

Mr. Fenby recalled with much relish an incident which occurred shortly after his entry into politics. He had been introduced at a meeting as the candidate for a certain division, and after the gathering had separated his introduction, taking the chairman on one side, inquired, "Who do you say this is?" My chairman replied, "That is Mr. Fenby, our candidate." "They told me he was a blacksmith," returned the other man, "but he is a gentleman."

That gentleman to-day, added Mr. Fenby, is one of my very good friends, although he is on the opposite side in politics. Of course, my view is that it is possible to be both a blacksmith and a gentleman.

eyes were not as the fairy-flax or her cheeks like the dawn of day.

"If we understand it aright, the business of the Coast and Geodetic Survey is to map our coast lines, locate dangerous reefs, and otherwise serve our shipping. We wish it would attend to it and leave literary criticism to the Internal Revenue Bureau of the Treasury, which has just ruled that authors' royalties are unearned income. It is enough that one branch of Government should have literary inspiration.

"If this thing goes on we shall have the Bureau of Standards telling us how to appraise Whitman and the Hydrographic Office editing Poe."

OUR DAILY TALK ON HEALTH.

MODERN MEDICINE AND BEETHOVEN.

COULD HAVE BEEN SAVED.

On March 28, 1827, Beethoven, one of the greatest musicians of all time, died in Vienna.

When he was 23 years old he began to complain of increasing deafness, which had become worse during the previous three years. By 1815 he had lost his hearing entirely.

Nevertheless, many of his greatest musical compositions were elaborated during this period and indeed he was able to conduct an orchestra even after 1818, when he became so deaf that he could not even hear the sound of a trumpet.

With the beginning of his loss of hearing he became greatly depressed, suffered constant fear of an early death and had difficulties of digestion. In 1824 and 1826 he had several attacks of bleeding from the nose and from the mouth, and died in 1827. It was found that previous to his death he suffered with an inflammation of the liver, making it difficult for him to recover from an attack of pneumonia which placed an unusual burden on his organs.

When the skull of Beethoven was examined some years later, the available evidence indicated a highly complex brain, which is taken by anatomists to indicate a high degree of brain capacity. The triumph of his genius over his physical incapacity may well be cited to persons suffering with physical defects as an example of what may be accomplished by those with the will to achieve.

Had the great genius lived in our modern times, it would certainly have been possible to determine early the onset of his hardness of hearing and to take measures to prevent its progress. The liver condition from which he suffered could have been alleviated by modern methods and the life of this genius much prolonged, resulting perhaps in an inestimable gain to mankind in the number of his magnificent works.

A well-dressed, middle-aged man fell in front of a train at Selhurst Station in mail week and was killed. A few minutes before a Brighton express was due he was seen smoking on the platform. As the train dashed into the station he fell on to the rails and was run over.



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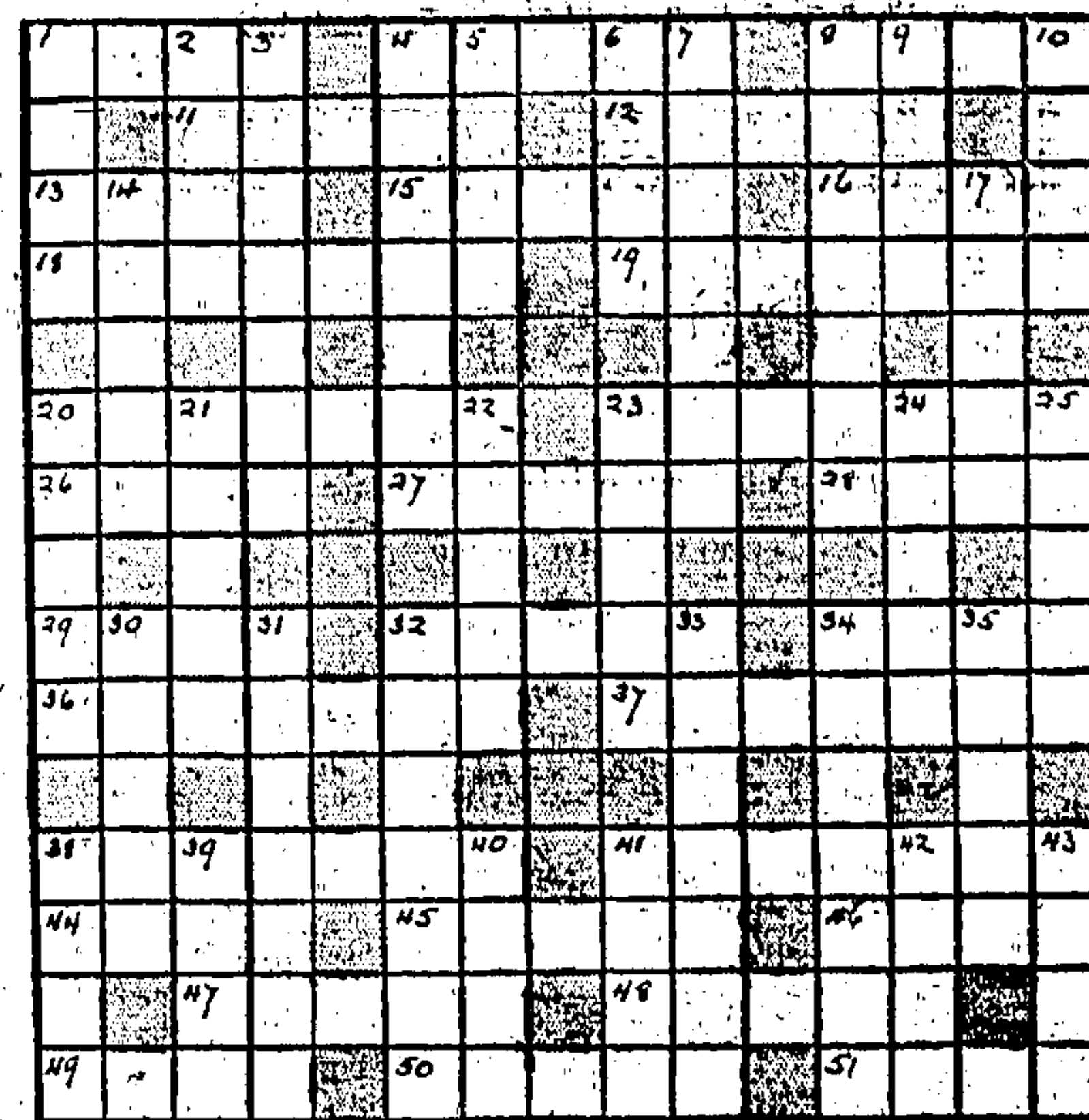
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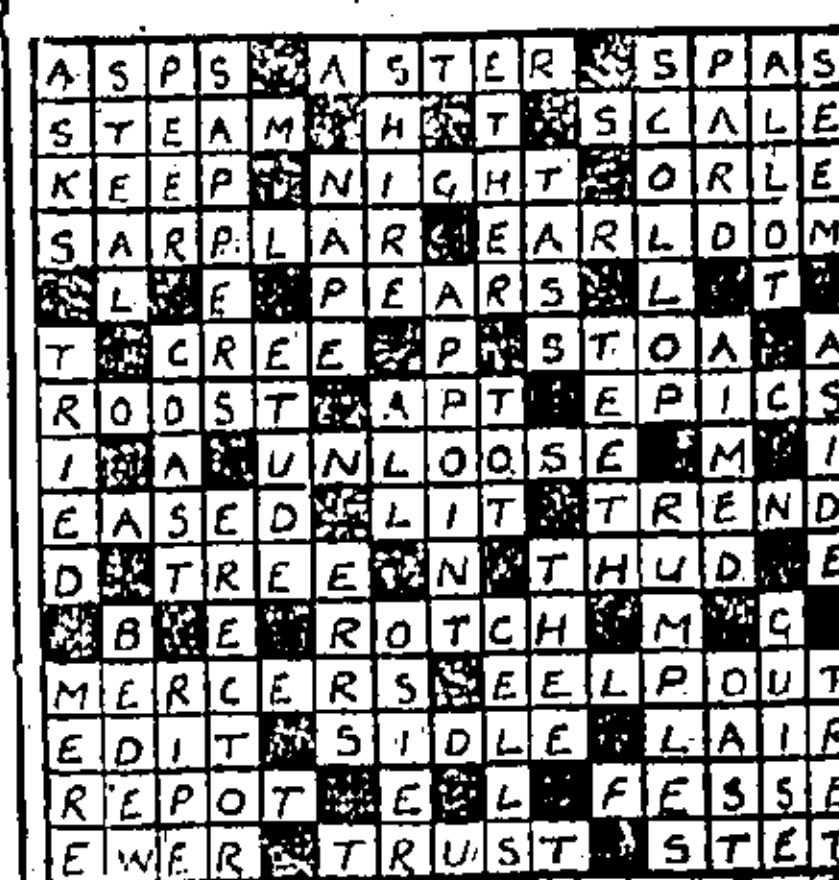
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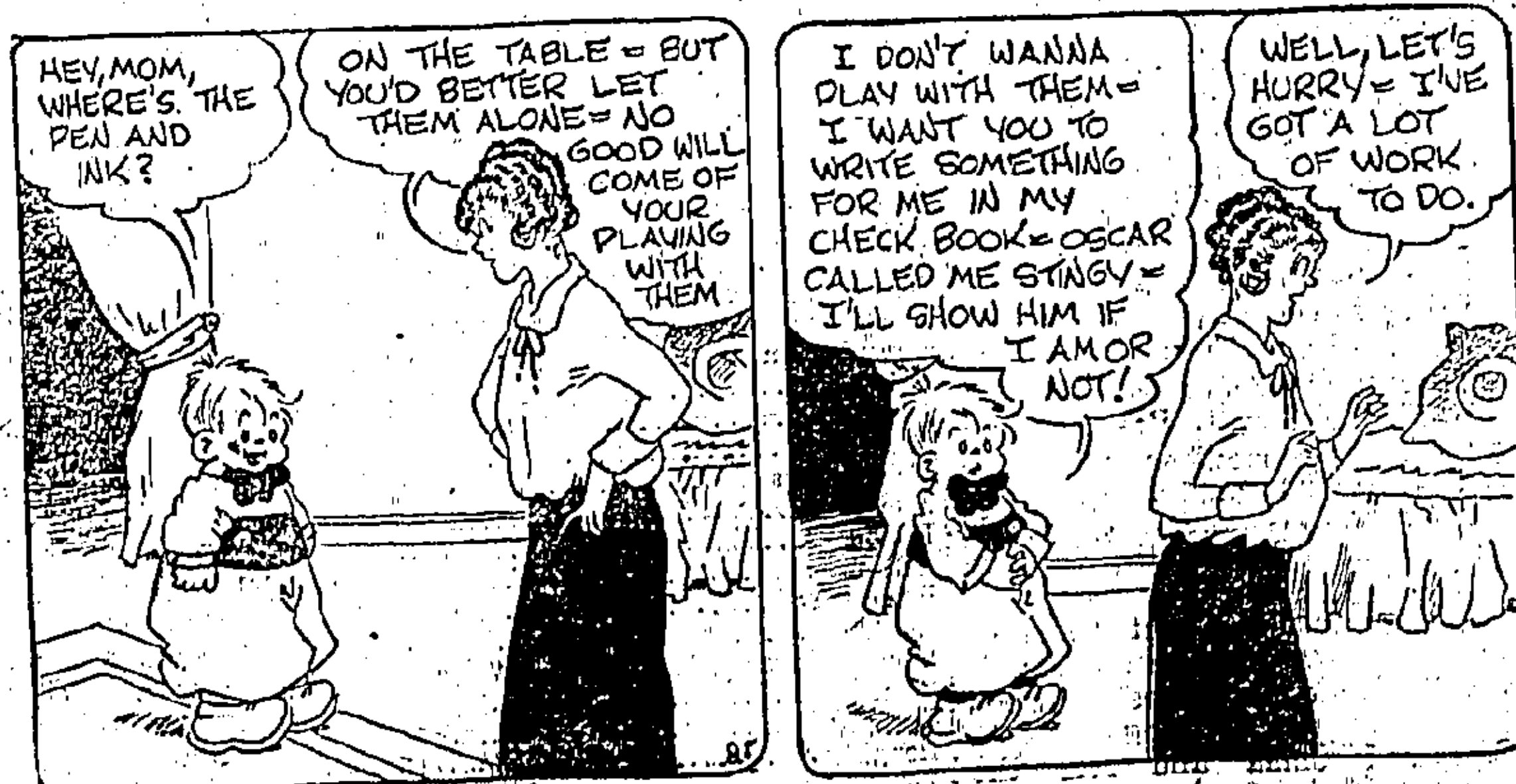
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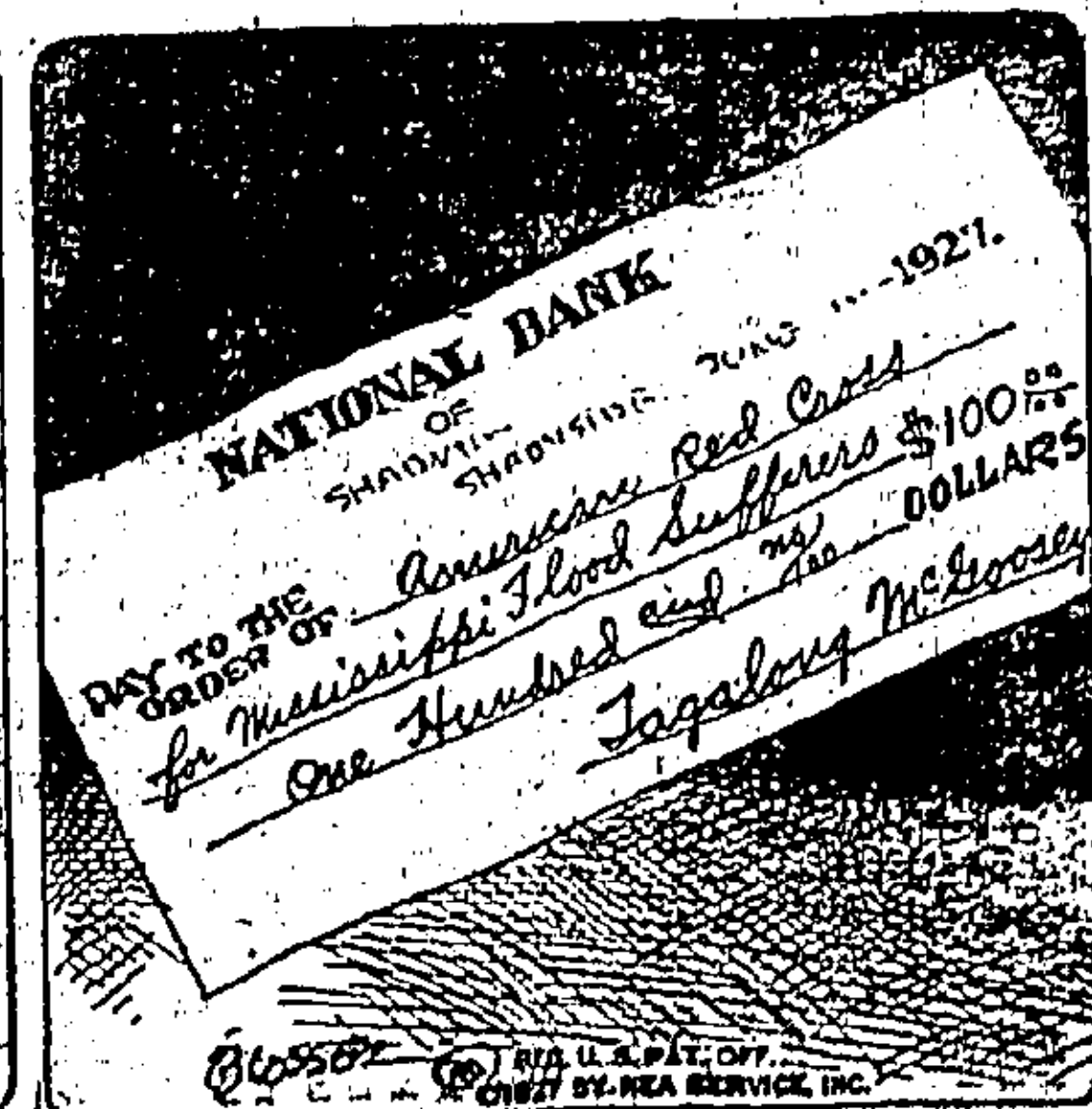
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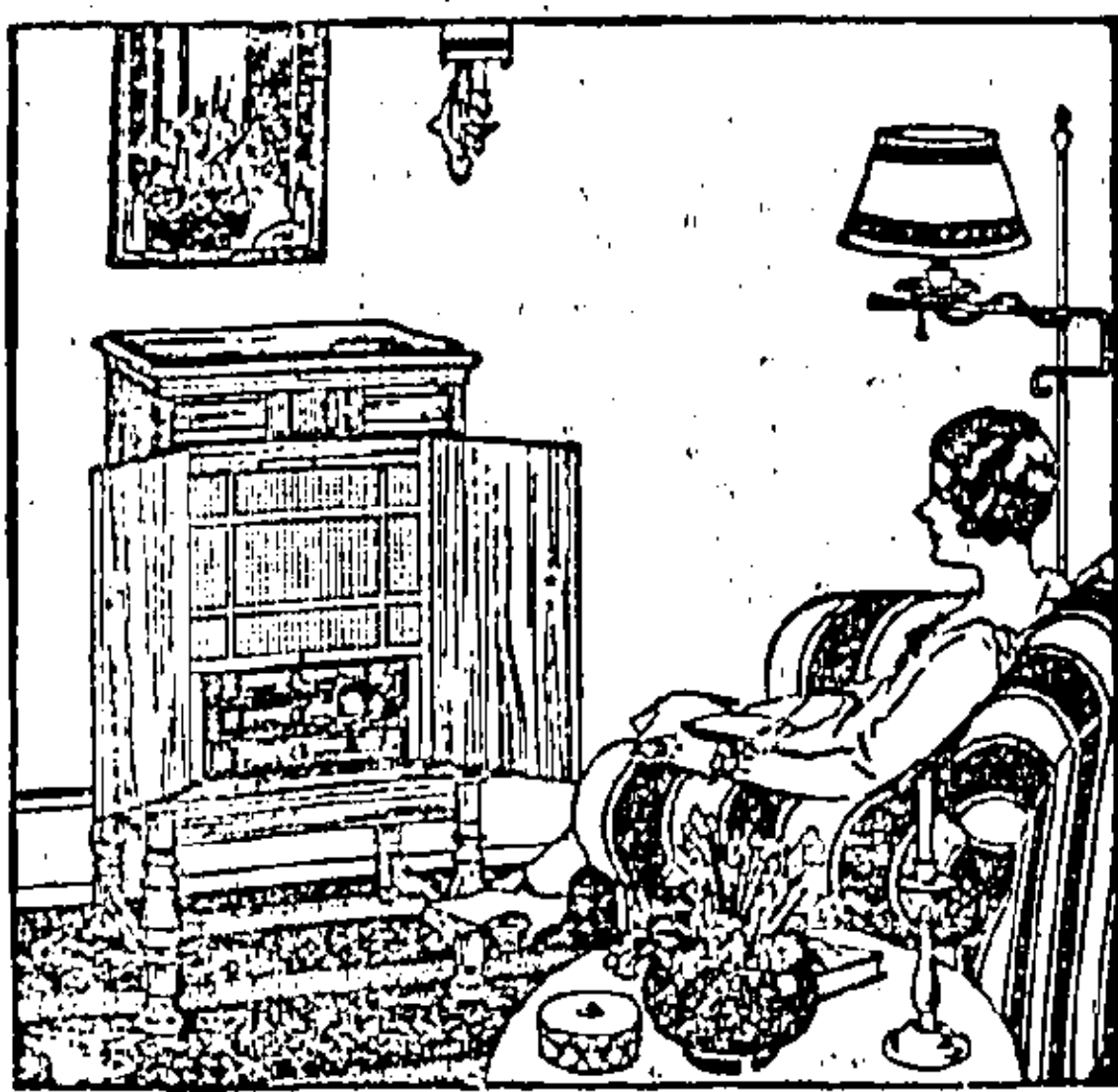
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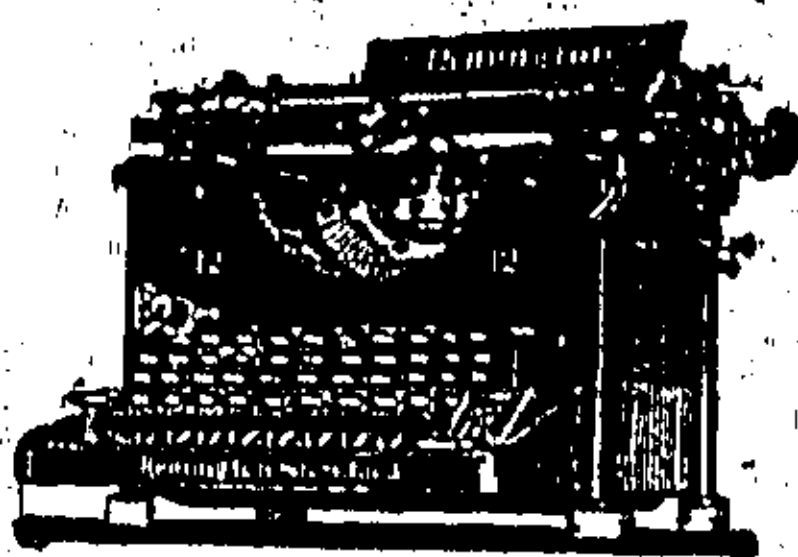
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1927.

LAWLESSNESS.

The chaotic conditions in China to-day are reflected in the waves of crime that are sweeping over the cities where Chinese are able to gather in large numbers with freedom of movement. In Shanghai, an international settlement abuts on a congested Chinese quarter, where the nominal control has seen various changes in the past two years, so that the lawless element is constantly recruited from henchmen of one side or the other, or their multitude of hangers-on. Very few of the domiciled population turn to serious crime. As batches of criminals are hunted out, or dealt with by the law, scores of others come in to take their place. So far as Shanghai is concerned, we have the remarkable case of men desperate to the last degree, practically outlaws, with no settled home, no future, and only a choice between lawlessness or probable starvation. If they join the armies which are contending for the mastery in the vicinity, it merely means the possibility of death, the certainty of hardships, probably insufficient food, and scanty pay much in arrears. All these factors should be taken into account when the matter of crime in the northern port is considered. When we turn to the case of Singapore, where an almost unprecedented crime wave has swept the city, it is to observe similar factors, though on a smaller scale, in operation. There is a large immigration from Chinese ports. At present many outlaws are leaving their native land for the sunny shores of Malaya, and the hundreds of well-intentioned settlers, the men who seek steady work on the rubber plantations or in the tin mines, are leavened with an element of hardened criminals. Possibly some of the Chinese emigrants to Malaya these days are nothing short of professional murderers, kidnapers, intimidators, and others of equally dark dye. Their presence has been felt to such an extent of late that special measures are being taken to deal with them. There is an agitation to arm all the police in the Straits Settlements, and also a declaration by the Governor that legislation will be introduced to enable the authorities to prohibit immigration from China altogether, if necessary. Evidently the need for drastic remedies is fully realised.

In Shanghai, latest reports deal with a crop of intimidation cases against wealthy persons, and a series of kidnapping incidents, which have led the Chinese citizens of standing to seek sanctuary in foreign hotels. This panic is shown to be non-political in its origin, and the outcome of an organised criminal campaign. As we have pointed out, Shanghai has special difficulties owing to its constitution and situation. But now the authorities, Chinese and foreign, are co-operating in dealing with the serious menace facing them. The other day, there was the instance of two armed robbers, who had previously been discharged, being convicted by a Chinese court when the police appealed, and being given life sentences. Opinion in the north has hardened considerably against the armed criminal. Last week, it was reported that a Chinese constable, when asked in court why he had fired two bullets into the body of a man who was about to shoot at him, declared that he wanted to make sure of getting his man before being shot himself. One of the newspapers headed the item, "a policeman's proper reply." What effect the increased severity of sentences at Shanghai will have, remains to be seen. It is always possible that desperate men will be made the more callous of taking life when they know that capture holds out no hope. Yet the time has certainly come for the new type of Chinese criminal, the menacing "gunman," unknown even a few years ago, to be dealt with as he deserves. It is a war of law and order against lawlessness of the worst form, and if necessary it must be a war to the death.

Chinese Football Crowd.

The extraordinary growth in the popularity of football among the Chinese of this Colony was strikingly evidenced on Saturday last, when the two Chinese teams in the first division were opposed to each other at Happy Valley. There must have been a crowd of several thousand spectators present, and the keenness and intelligent understanding with which they followed the game testified to the reality of their interest. The game was played in the middle of the Valley where there was no stand accommodation, and of course there was recourse to the improved trestle stands which Chinese ingenuity and foresight has brought in place of other provision. Hundreds of men were perched up on insecure trestles and it was not hard to visualise a nasty crash and plenty of hurts if any one of those trestles had given way. One could not resist the thought that the premier Chinese team (Chinese Athletic) ought to have a permanent ground of its own, similar to that possessed by the military at Sookunpoo and by the Hongkong Football Club. We understand that through the courtesy of the Hongkong Football Club (which doubtless benefits financially in consequence) the Chinese Athletic will be playing quite a number of its "home" games on the Club ground, the fixture list having been so arranged that the "home" and "away" matches of the two Clubs work out to that end, but that arrangement is far from ideal. The Chinese teams (which have more supporters than any of the others) ought to be able to have a "home" ground at which they can make their own provision for their own crowds and have that sense of ownership and responsibility which must come to them as they take their place in the world of local sport. One of the first matters to be considered by the Government in connection with the provision of more open playing spaces on this side of the harbour should be the anomalous position occupied by the two football clubs which invariably attract the largest crowds.

THE WEATHER.

FAIR DAYS TO CONTINUE.

The Royal Observatory's report to-day states that "a wedge of high pressure extends from South Manchuria to Mid Japan. The anti-cyclone has weakened slightly. It is now central over the Yangtze Valley. The typhoon is about 300 miles East of Aparri moving apparently N.N.W. Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. Coast of China and over the Northern China Sea; The local forecast is:—North-east winds, moderate, fine.

DAY BY DAY.

THE WEAKEST SPOT IN EVERY MAN IS WHERE HE THINKS HIMSELF TO BE THE STRONGEST.—Emmons.

Police dances are cancelled until further notice.

H.M.S. Cicula arrived from the Delta yesterday.

The Colony had a clean bill of health yesterday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kashmir is due here from Shanghai early on Friday morning.

The Tung On, of the Tung On s.s. Company, was undocked this morning after refit at Talkoo and resumes her run to Canton to-night.

The s.s. Empress of Asia is due here from Canada and the North, on Tuesday morning next. She will sail for Manila on Wednesday afternoon.

H.M.S. Peterel, the newly-built gunboat for river service, left Talkoo Dock this morning for trials, flying the B. and S. house flag and the red ensign.

Passengers departing for Shanghai by the Empress of Russia at noon to-day included Sir Shou-son Chow, and Mr. Stone of the Canadian Pacific s.s. Company.

The topical gazette at the Queen's Theatre to-day shows the visit of the King and Queen, with the Duke and Duchess of York, to the Highland games at Braemar, also the fatal Regents Park fire, the opening of the Waratahs' football tour at Home, and a motorcycle race in a rainstorm.

Mr. J. Burgess, of No. 61a Wanchai Road, was attacked and bitten by a dog belonging to Mrs. Bennett, of No. 59 Wongneiching Road, yesterday according to a police report. Mr. Burgess went into the Government Civil Hospital for treatment. The dog has been removed to the observation depot at Kennedy Town.

The death occurred on Saturday week in the General Hospital, Penang, of Mr. John Graham Grant, an assistant on the New Columbian Estate, Dindings, at the age of thirty-one. He was an active freemason and a keen volunteer. The funeral was largely attended. The deceased leaves a mother and sister to mourn his loss in Rothesay, Scotland.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 18 arrivals and 24 departures, of which seven and six respectively were British, leaving 59 vessels in harbour of which 27 were of British registry. Tonnage was high, but cargoes showed a reduction, British vessels carrying less than 3,000 tons under the respective headings, the highest returns being made by Norwegian, Danish and Japanese.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Arafura, Mongolia, Kashmir, Namang, Sphinx, D'Artagnan, President McKinley, Tjimanoeck, Kutang, Empress of Russia, Talkwa Maru, Harunasan Maru, Seattle Maru, Sekkow Maru, Times Maru, Panama Maru, Tjikarang, Maud, Gran, Haining, Kweiyang, Glen-shiel, Hermelin.

Pictures, showing for the last time to-day are "North of 36" at the World Theatre and "Souls For Sale" at the Star Theatre. "North of 36," a tale of pioneer days in Texas, by Emerson Hough, the author of "The Covered Wagon," is to be seen at the 5.15 and 9.20 performances only, the picture at the 2.30 and 7.15 performances being the second part of the Chinese drama "Man Lee Chun," also showing for the last time to-day. "Souls For Sale" is a story of motion picture life with Eleanor Boardman, Mae Busch and Lew Cody at the head of the cast. The programme at the Star Theatre is continuous from 2.30 to 11.15.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Oct. 25.
Paris	124.05
New York	4.86 3/8
Brussels	34.98
Geneva	25.25
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Milan	89 1/2
Berlin	20.89
Stockholm	18.08
Copenhagen	18.17
Oslo	18.42 1/2
Vienna	14.42 1/2
Prague	10.44
Helsingfors	10.44
Madrid	28.41
Lisbon	27.16
Athens	30.54
Bucharest	7.85
Rio	5.29 3/8
Buenos Aires	47.27 3/8
Bombay	1/10
Shanghai	2/10 1/2
Hongkong	2/10 1/2
Yokohama	2/10 1/2
Silver (spot)	25 1/2
Silver (forward)	25 1/2

—British Wireless.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THANKS TO Y.M.C.A.

(To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—On the departure to the United Kingdom of the Class A reservists of the Northamptonshire Regiment, would you please publish in your paper the appreciation that is voiced by us one and all, for the splendid way the members of the Y.M.C.A. made everything as comfortable as could be during our brief stay.

It was something like being at home to walk into the Y.M.C.A. where there was a smile for everybody, where all were welcome. I often sat down myself and watched the tiresome work, but the smiles never left the faces of these splendid members.

We also appreciate the wonderful concerts which have been given on our behalf, at the same time we fully know they were the endless work of the Y.M.C.A.

We are all glad to get home again, but very sorry to lose such dear friends, but before we go we wish them all untold happiness, a Happy Christmas and a Bright Prosperous New Year.

So good-bye, dear friends, you will always be in our thoughts for your splendid work to the lads that found it hard to leave home.

On behalf of a host of others,—Yours, etc.

RESERVIST.

Northamptonshire Regt.
Hongkong, Oct. 25th, 1927.

Kowloon Pier

Sir,—Is it not time that the Government made a start on the work of repairing the damaged public pier at Kowloon? For several months now the Peninsula has been without adequate landing facilities, for although we are allowed to use the police pier (between the Star Ferry and Holt's Wharf) this is not nearly so convenient as the old public pier.

Also, should not the Government indicate, in reply to the suggestion of the K. R. A. (I think, it was) whether it is prepared to erect a public landing place, opposite the end of Nathan Road and provide a footbridge across the railway line? This is a most excellent suggestion which would do much to relieve some of the congestion at Kowloon Point, and one that I know many Kowloon residents would like to see carried out.—Yours, etc.

LAUNCEY USER.

Kowloon, Oct. 25, 1927.

KOCHOW PIRACY ECHO.

WILL THERE BE AN INQUIRY?

The maritime guilds are at present contemplating action, it is learned, in the matter of the Kochow piracy, during which, it will be remembered, the Chief Engineer of that vessel, Mr. Black, was killed whilst in the act of defending the ship.

So far as can be ascertained, the authorities have decided to take no action in the case, but guild members are reported to be much concerned with the question of insurance, and compensation for the deceased's dependents.

Such compensation was outlined in the scheme which was laid down prior to the boycott, but which, it appears, was abandoned when the revised regulations came into force, eliminating the orders that officers in vessels should resist to the utmost in the case of piracy.

An enquiry may bring other facts to light, it is claimed, than are at present known, and would do much to clear the minds of the sea-going fraternity in this matter.

DISCOVERY OF AMMUNITION.

CONTENTS OF TIN BOX
CONFISCATED.

Ammunition totalling 2,508 rounds was confiscated by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistrate's, this morning, on the application of Sergt. Fowle. Sergt. Fowle said that a tin box was found on board the s.s. Sphinx, on October 25, by the Captain. It was not claimed and when opened was found to contain 1,681 rounds of .38, 548 rounds of .32, 228 rounds for automatic pistols and 61 rounds for .45 Colts.

While a woman passenger was looking for a berth on the Canton boat Sai On, yesterday, a Chinese opened her rattan basket and was in the act of stealing some pieces of clothing when he was seized by a fruit-hawker. The man was turned over to the police, and appearing before Major C. Willson this morning, he was sentenced to three months' hard labour. The police proved a previous conviction against the man.

The Very Idea!

"How are you getting on at school, Alice?" "Fine! We're learning words of four cylinder now.—American Boy.

The average weight of a new born baby is about seven pounds, but size evidently is not everything, as Sir Isaac Newton weighed less than two pounds at birth. A few months ago London was talking of a baby who weighed only one pound six ounces when born, but put on four ounces in three weeks. The little one had to be fed at first from a fountain pen filler, but took to a spoon, became perfectly formed in body, and developed a "merry smile." An exchange says:—"The tenth in her family, Alice does not hold the record for diminutiveness. A baby boy was born in London this year, who, it is stated, weighed only one pound, and candidates from Wembley, London, and Auckland (New Zealand) weighed in at one pound eight ounces and one, two and one-half ounces respectively."

One of Cecil Clay's wittiest sallies adorned a speech delivered in New York during a period of tension between Britain and the United States. "Gentlemen," he said, "I sometimes wish that instead of the Pilgrim Fathers landing on Plymouth Rock, Plymouth Rock had landed on the Pilgrim Fathers."

A young woman in a matrimonial case at East Ham admitted that her husband found her one night kneeling in prayer with a rosary in her hand and a razor on the bed.

Young wife at Willesden: My husband wants another girl, and he also wants the baby and his half of the home. The Magistrate: He wants too much. Take a summons against him for desertion.

Pythons will be the newest fad as pets in London homes if the British Aquarists Association succeeds in its campaign to popularize these engaging creatures. Aquarists have just held a big exhibition of man's zoological pals, including alligators, lizards, chameleons, bullfrogs and bubbles, all of which are guaranteed fit in any home to amuse children. Under the slogan, "Have you a little python in your home?" the aquarists are pushing the sale of these reptiles, which, they say, as long as they are under six feet, can be kept comfortably in any heated flat.

France is constant and faithful in her friendships.—M. Poincaré. It is possible to be both a blacksmith and a gentleman.—Mr. T. D. Fenby, M. P.

Most of the Governments are distrustful of the League of Nations.—M. de Juvenal.

Whippets are about the ugliest animals that God ever created.—Mr. St. John Ervine.

We have to make people ashamed of having flies in their homes.—Lieut.-Colonel T. B. Langton.

A rich but close-fisted city merchant, wanting counsel's opinion on an intricate point of commercial law, invited an eminent K. C. who was his friend to dinner and extracted the opinion over the walnuts and the wine.

Seeing the merchant's design, the K. C. in due course sent in his demand for fees.

The merchant retorted by sending the barrister a bill for the dinner.

The barrister retaliated by serving on the merchant a summons for selling intoxicants without a licence.

A remarkable incident at a bull-fight is reported from the village of Oliva. The torador who had been engaged for the occasion was seized with panic at the last moment, at the sight of the bull, and refused to enter the arena, declaring he would prefer to go to prison. The crowd was becoming threatening when a prominent inhabitant of the village, who was presiding over the proceedings, left his place and calmly entered the arena. He had borrowed slippers and a cape from a torador, and to the astonishment of the crowd faced the bull with surprising courage, finally killing it in masterly fashion. The astonished audience went wild with enthusiasm, and the amateur torador received an extraordinary ovation, the people unanimously voting him the ear of the bull as a trophy.

As a result of an application for transfer and renewal of the licence of the Burlington Hotel, Bubbling Well Road, the Shanghai Municipal Council has directed the new management that certain alterations and improvements must be put in hand by November 30. "Failing compliance with this condition," the Council's letter to Mr. E. H. Baker, manager, reads, "the present provisional licence will be withdrawn and effective measures will be taken to prevent the building being used as an hotel." A written guarantee that the premises will be rebuilt within two and a half years of July 32, 1927, is the staple condition for the issue of a full licence.

YOUTH INDUCED TO STEAL.**HOW A SUITCASE WAS ABSTRACTED.****OLD MAN GETS HARD LABOUR.**

In broad daylight yesterday, two Chinese of the coolie class entered the Bakilly Company, in Des Voeux Road Central, and whilst one of them engaged the attention of a foki, the other managed to walk away with a leather suitcase. Such was the gist of the statement made by Sub-Inspector Shafstain to Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, when an old man and a youth were jointly charged with the larceny of the suitcase.

In answer to further questions, Inspector Shafstain informed his Worship that the boy was arrested with the suitcase, and that at the time of the arrest the old man was some distance away. The Magistrate expressed the opinion that if that was the case, it would be difficult to connect the old man with the matter.

Evidence was given by a Chinese district watchman, who stated that he saw the two defendants and a third man approach the Bakilly Company. The two defendants entered the store and the watchman stood across the road to watch developments. He struck a match and lighted a cigarette, but when he looked across the road again, the trio were gone.

The witness walked along Des Voeux Road in the hope of meeting one of the trio. Outside the Lai Wah Company, which is about a hundred yards to the east of the Bakilly shop, he saw the boy in the act of hailing a ricksha. Beside the youth was a large leather suitcase. He seized the boy and it was then that he noticed the old man approaching him from the direction of the Bakilly Company. As luck would have it, another district watchman came into sight at the same moment, and the old man was also taken into custody.

Youth Sentenced.

The boy, who had pleaded guilty to the theft from the outset, was then ordered to receive ten strokes of the cane.

He was put next into the witness box. In answer to his Worship, he at first denied any knowledge of the aged defendant. After a good deal of patient questioning, however, the following story was extracted from him:

He met the old man earlier in the day, and together they had gone into the Bakilly Company. At the instigation of the old man, he had been induced to steal the suitcase. This was accomplished without observation because the old man was holding in his hand a Chinese bamboo hat which, measuring three feet in diameter, was used as a sort of shield to conceal the actions of the youth. Once in the street, they separated, and the boy was given 25 cents with which to engage a ricksha and proceed to Causeway Bay.

The old man claimed that he met the youth by chance, and had no knowledge that he intended to commit a theft at the Bakilly Company.

A sentence of three months' hard labour was imposed on the elderly accused.

STOLEN WOOD.**KOWLOON GODOWN COMPANY VICTIMISED.**

The case in which a Chinese is charged with the theft of wood from the premises of the Kowloon Godown Company, at the junction of Canton and Peking Roads, Kowloon, was again before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

The defendant said when the arrest of the thief was attempted in a shop where he had taken the wood to sell it, a free fight ensued, during which the real thief got away, and he (defendant) was arrested instead.

Further evidence as to what happened in the shop was given this morning by a Chinese witness, who swore that the defendant was the man who was carrying the wood.

The defendant then intimated his desire to call a witness, and the case was adjourned for this purpose.

Dr. Albert Schweitzer has arrived in Europe from Equatorial Africa and paid a visit to England. On Sunday morning, September 26, from twelve to 1, he gave an organ recital at St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, and he preached in the evening at Eccleston Guild House.

SOUTH AFRICAN FLAG QUESTION.**A FINAL SETTLEMENT REACHED.****UNANIMOUS DECISION.**

Capetown, Oct. 25. The Nationalist Party has accepted the compromise on the flag question.

The unexpectedly rapid progress of yesterday's negotiations between Generals Hertzog and Smuts resulted in the settlement of the flag question, a settlement to which the Nationalist and South African Party caucuses agreed.

The clause providing for the flying of the Union Jack as the symbol of South Africa's membership of the British Commonwealth of Nations was revised. It stated that the Union Jack will be flown in ships in docks and in the capitals, including the Parliament Buildings, the Union Government Buildings and elsewhere as may from time to time be defined by the Government.

The domestic flag will be of the design suggested by Tielman Rods, namely three horizontal stripes, orange, white and blue; the Union Jack and Transvaal Vierkleur will be shown horizontally on the white stripe, and the Orange Free State flag vertically between them, all thus forming a cross in the centre of the white stripe.—*Reuter.*

Everyone Satisfied.

London, Oct. 25. The settlement of the South African flag dispute which has caused keen controversy throughout the Union since the Flag Bill was first introduced in Parliament, will, it is expected, be announced by General Hertzog to-day. Negotiations which, according to a press message, have thus resulted in the settlement, were begun last Wednesday and were conducted privately between General Hertzog and General Smuts, the Leader of the South African party. It is announced that the design will satisfy all except the extremists.—*British Wireless.*

Critical Phase.

Capetown, Oct. 25. The most critical phase of the flag negotiations was at a meeting of the South African Party, at which unanimity was practically achieved, including most of the Natal delegates. A complete agreement by all parties on the outstanding points was reached at 5.45 to-night.

General Hertzog makes a statement in the Assembly to-morrow, simultaneously with the tabling of the amendment embodying the settlement, which prescribes that the flags of the Union be firstly the Union Jack, denoting association with the Union and with group nations constituting the British Commonwealth of Nations; secondly the National Flag as set out in the Flag Bill.

The final draft also provides for the Union Jack to be flown with the National Flag on official buildings, in capitals of the Union provinces, in ports and Government offices abroad, and in such other places in the Union as the Government may decide.

It empowers the Governor General to fix the form in which the flags will be flown from ships on the high seas, which means the Union Jack may continue to be flown from ships until a decision by the Imperial Conference to the contrary.

The final settlement was reached on the definite understanding that as regards towns other than those capitals mentioned above, there be no sudden change. This means that the Union Jack will continue to be flown in Johannesburg, Kimberley, Grahamstown, etc.—*Reuter.*

More of the Union Jack.

London, Oct. 25. The Nationalist and South African Party caucuses in Capetown have agreed to accept a compromise over the Flag Bill, which was reached as the result of private negotiations between General Smuts and General Hertzog.

According to press messages, the compromise provides that the Union Jack shall be specified in the Bill as the Imperial flag of South Africa, and shall be flown on ships in all docks, on Parliament and Government buildings, and on such other places as may be defined by the Government from time to time.

The new domestic flag retains the three horizontal stripes of orange, white and blue, but the shield which appeared on the white stripe in the original design, and of which the Union Jack occupied only a quarter, is replaced by the Union Jack and Transvaal vierkleur appearing horizontally with the Orange Free State's vierkleur, vertically between them, forming a cross.

The Union Jack will be three times the size that it was in the original design.—*British Wireless.*

AN AFFRAY IN CHINATOWN.**SINGAPORE POLICE STOP DISTURBANCE.****PISTOLS DRAWN IN STREET.**

Rival Chinese gangs in Singapore have revived their activities with the result that the Police have been kept busy quelling outbreaks in various parts of Chinatown. Rows in China Street and the vicinity during Saturday and Sunday of last week resulted in two men being arrested.

On the Monday afternoon, a large force of armed police under European Inspectors had to turn out to put down another rising in China Street and the prompt arrival of the Police checked serious developments and very probably prevented a fight which would have needed drastic measures to put down, for the gangs which had gathered were armed with poles, knives, spears and pistols.

The parties concerned are believed to belong to the Sin Guan Seng and the Sin Chee Hin. Information reached the police at about four o'clock and the general alarm was given at the Central Station. Several dozens of constables were rushed to the scene and succeeded in dispersing the crowds. Five arrests were made.

In the Nick of Time.

The trouble had only just started, but things were already looking serious when the Police arrived. The mobs had thrown bottles, stones and sticks at each other but no serious injuries are reported.

The five men who were arrested were produced before Mr. Dakers, Third Magistrate, on Tuesday morning, charged with taking part in the affray.

They were remanded in custody, bail being refused. Court Inspector Brown stating that the offence was very serious, several of the troublesome gangs having been seen with drawn pistols which they would undoubtedly have used had not the police arrived so promptly.

The case was postponed for further enquiries.

THE BUSINESS IN COTTON YARN.**HOW CHINESE DEALERS ARE AFFECTED.**

Chinese dealers in cotton yarns suffered heavy losses during the 1925 strike period, when the importation of cotton yarn into the Colony was said practically to have ceased, according to the vernacular press. But since the restoration of communication with Canton the cotton yarn business is said to be returning to normal.

From about January to March, business resembled a normal period, but during the months of May and June the cotton yarn market is said to have been most favourable. When the Japanese boycott was inaugurated in July, this business was somewhat affected. As cotton yarns mostly come from Japan, and as during the boycott the pickets in the various districts of Kwangtung and Kwangsi were very active, and a considerable cargo of yarns arriving at districts in the interior was found by the pickets, who confiscated the goods, local Chinese cotton and dealers again complained of a bad time.

The situation seemed to be unchanged after July, when the boycott was over. This, however, was due to the bad crop of cotton in the United States this year, with the consequence that the producing power decreased. The result is, there has been a considerable rise in the price of cotton yarns. The report continues that the Chinese dealers expect to do better business at the end of the year.

Most of the cotton yarn comes from Japan or Shanghai, where there are a good number of Chinese cotton yarn manufacturers. From the Colony cotton yarns are exported to Yunnan, Siam, Hainan, Kwangchow, Hoihow and Pakhoi, and also to the various districts in the interior of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

Lady Astor will open the Y.W.C.A. annual bazaar on the second day, November 10, at the Central Hall, Westminster. The funds raised will be divided between the general work of the Association and the building fund of the new Central Club, the purchase of the site of which has just been completed.

SHANGHAI ORCHESTRA PROBLEM.**COMMITTEE SUGGESTS NEW SCHEME.****HIGHER SUNDAY PRICES.**

Higher admission charges for the Sunday concerts at the Town Hall and augmented special concerts for the week-days at charges approximating regular concert rates are among the recommendations made to the Shanghai Municipal Council by the Orchestra and Band Committee with the object of making this department of municipal activity more successful, especially from the point of view of reducing the annual budget charge.

The following statement appears in the Municipal Gazette relative to the Committee's recommendation:—In accordance with the Committee's decision of last year, consideration is given to the question of admission fees, and any means whereby the concerts can be made more attractive and thus result in increased receipts being obtained from this source. Following examination of a statement of receipts from the concerts given last season, members unanimously agree that the amount shown is totally incommensurate with the value of the performances given, and they are of the view that the fee charged for admission to the various concerts should be increased for the forthcoming winter season.

In this connexion they are unable to endorse the Conductor's contention that increased admission fees will result in considerable adverse public criticism, members taking the view that owing to the annual budget charge for the maintenance of the Orchestra, ratepayers will welcome any proposals whereunder increased receipts therefrom can be obtained.

The number of free tickets issued for orchestral performances is regarded as unnecessarily high, and at the Committee's direction the Conductor will supply a complete list of persons to whom free tickets are sent, whereafter further consideration will be given to this question.

Uncomfortable Seating.

With regard to the Conductor's observations in a memorandum submitted as to the unsatisfactory heating and ventilation system of the Town Hall, the uncomfortable type of seat provided and the absence of amenities which are to be found in other concert rooms, members unanimously agree that the lack of customary facilities in the Town Hall is to a large extent responsible for the small income derived from orchestral concerts. Whilst at the present time, on account of financial stringency, the Committee hesitates to recommend that more comfortable seats be provided or that other major improvements be carried out, it is considered that the system of issuing tickets, at present in force should be revised forthwith. It is accordingly recommended that, in order to avoid the inconvenience and confusion experienced under the present system, arrangements should be made by the Public Works Department for the sale of tickets on the ground floor, preferably by two attendants, instead of by one only on the first floor as at present.

Committee's Recommendations.

After full consideration of other questions in connexion with the forthcoming winter concert season, such as the engagement of soloists and the adequate advertising of the various concerts, the Committee regards the following recommendations for the Council's approval:—

1.—That Sunday concerts be continued in the evening during October, and November, April and May, and in the afternoon during the period of December to March.

(2) That for Sunday concerts an admission fee be charged of \$1 for the main hall (soldiers and sailors in uniform half price); Gallery 60 cents small money (or \$1 for two tickets) for all persons.

(3) That the Committee be authorised to engage soloists and pay certain fees to be decided in each instance by the Committee in conference with the Conductor. Whenever professional soloists are engaged either for Sunday or Special concerts, these concerts will be advertised as extra symphony concerts at which the admission charge will be \$3, \$2, \$1, and Gallery 60 cents. The booking arrangements for such concerts to be placed in the hands of Messrs. Moutrie & Co., Ltd. The Committee to be given discretion in the matter of advertising such concerts.

(4) That the Committee be authorised to arrange for extra symphony concerts on days other than Sunday, when in their judgment such concerts can be arranged on a basis to provide a reasonable return.

SINGAPORE VIEW ON TIN CONTROL.**"SIMILAR POSITION TO THAT OF RUBBER."**

Since yesterday afternoon, when we published a Reuter telegram giving details of an announcement that an attempt was being made to get the producers of tin together for the purpose of restricting output and maintaining a price of \$300 per ton for the commodity, many opinions have been expressed as to the possibility and desirability of forming in effect a combine, says the *Strait Times* of last Wednesday.

A well-known Singaporean informed us that the announcement was not altogether a surprise. It had long been felt that something should be done to conserve a gradually exhausting reserve, to regulate output to demand, and that in their own interests producers should unite so that they might have something to say about prices.

At Mercy of the Market.

Hitherto, he said, they have been entirely at the mercy of the market and have had to accept the offers of the London market. While the statistical position for years has favoured high prices there has not been much cause for grumbling. Recently, however, the prospect of increased output of tin from a greatly increased number of dredges has been given as the cause of the slump of the past few months, over which period tin has dropped \$40 per ton. The statistical position meantime, i.e., actual visible supplies of tin, is still favourable for the maintenance of good prices. Thus in December last when stocks were no greater than now tin was between \$290 and \$300 per ton. The price just now is round about \$260.

The drop of tin is ascribed not to increased stocks but to the fear of increased output in the future. As a matter of fact our informant said, it is due to a very big market manipulation by tin dealers at home, cleverly worked, which has resulted in tremendous profits to the tin ring or rings.

Large Outputs.

In this producers had had nothing to say and our informant expressed the opinion that at this stage, when there might well be fear of large outputs, it is very timely for the producers to get together. He hoped their efforts would be successful.

It had been estimated that during the ensuing 12 months some 60 to 70 new dredges would come into operation in Malaya and Siam, to say nothing of the Dutch Indies. The resultant increased output had been variously calculated at from 10 to 21 per cent.

As the bulk of the tin output in the future would be from dredges under company control, some companies or groups of companies controlling, say, a dozen or more dredges, it would not be a difficult matter to bring the controlling interests together, and decide on the conditions which should govern the industry. As the producers, they should at least have the right to say whether they should continue to produce tin at unprofitable prices, and adopt such measures as might be possible financially to restrict outputs to legitimate demands.

Reply to Manipulators.

"They will also find an effective reply to the manipulators who this year have probably made millions sterling at their expense."

Our informant concluded by saying that it was a case of rubber outputs over again except that in the case of tin the control is in fewer hands and the supplies can be limited to demands without much difficulty. Once unity is obtained, he said, there can be no possible objection.

RIKSHA PULLERS' GANG FIGHT.**SENSATION IN F. M. S. TOWN.**

Ipo, Oct. 17. There was quite a sensation in Ipo, on Saturday when a sudden fracas occurred between about 100 riksha pullers of two rival gangs owing to one party carrying fares from the station to town for ten cents whilst the other demanded fifteen. The matter has been simmering for some time. There was assault and counter-assault till one party marched forward armed with riksha shafts with which they merrily prodded the enemy.

Fortunately there were no fatalities amongst the many spread out.

All the European police officers and fifty constables suddenly made a raid on the spot around British fountain and stopped the row. They arrested 47 who were produced to-day before Mr. Eschall who remanded them for one week in police custody. The long procession to and from the Court was most impressive.

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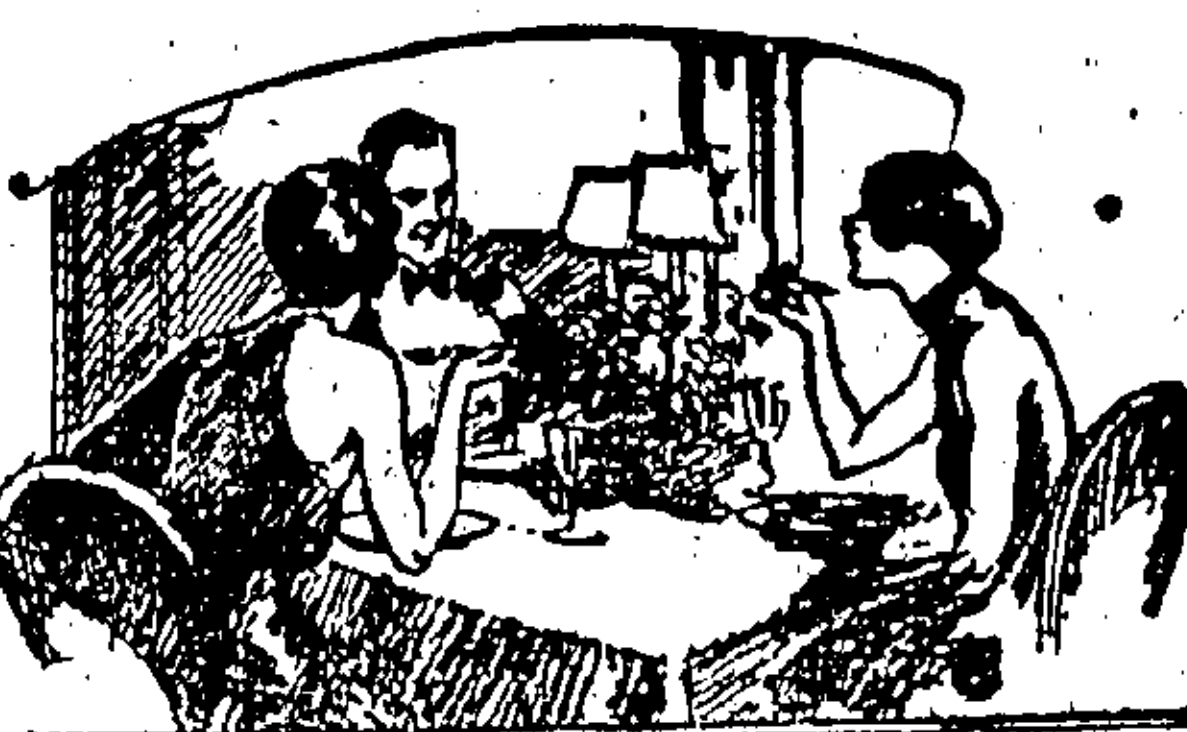
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CRICKET.

INTERNATIONAL CHESS.

**56TH. COY R.E. BEAT
DIOCESAN SCHOOL.**

The 56th. Coy R.E. won easily in their match yesterday against the D.B.S. on the Club de Recreio ground.

The D.B.S. batted first, and were six wickets down for 47 when a collapse occurred, and they ended with 47 for 10. Horspool took 6 wickets for 17 runs, and 2 wickets for 19 runs. Young Saye scored 27 runs.

For the R.E.'s, Major Playfair, who was missed three times, scored 48, and Lindsay 24 not out. The total was 119. Anderson took 3 wickets for 14 runs.

The School certainly had an 'off' day; their ground fielding was good but far too many catches were missed.

For the R.E.'s, Major Playfair with the bat, Horspool with the ball and Brown at the stumps were in good form.

The details scores were

Diocesan Boys' School.

D. J. N. Anderson, lb.w. b.	1
Horspool, c. and b. Dare	3
A. T. Lee, stumped Brown, b.	0
Horspool	0
P. R. Zimmer, lb.w. b. Dare	1
J. L. Young Saye, c. Kellett, b.	1
Horspool	27
A. S. A. Kyun, c. Playfair, b.	2
Horspool	2
J. A. Fisher, c. Kellett, b. Horspool	2
F. K. Lee, not out	0
G. A. Lee, b. Horspool	0
A. Prata, lb.w. b. Horspool	0
Extras	11
Totals	47

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Horspool	16	7	17
Dare	15	8	19

56th. Coy R. E.

Sergt. Brown, c. F. K. Lee, b.	4
A. T. Lee	10
Dare, lb.w. b. Kwan	10
Lieut. Kellett, b. A. T. Lee	0
Horspool, c. Anderson, b. A. T. Lee	6
Major Playfair, b. J. L. Young Saye	48
Sap. Barton, c. and b. R. Lee	24
Lindsay not out	24
Salter, c. F. K. Lee, b. Anderson	4
Dannett, stumped F. K. Lee, b. Young Saye	0
Corpl. Pritchard, b. Anderson	1
Gibson, c. A. T. Lee, b. Anderson	0
Extras	14
Totals	119

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
A. T. Lee	10	5	34
W. H. Kwan	5	1	32
R. Lee	9	3	22
D. Anderson	9	1	14
J. L. Young Saye	4	0	14

The China Squadron football team will meet the Queen's Regiment on the Dockyard football ground to-morrow afternoon at 4.15. The Drum and Fife band of the regiment will play after the match.

UNIQUE SPORT IN JAVA.

WILD EXCITEMENT AT ANNUAL BULL RACES.

Batavia, Oct. 14.

The Sourabaya newspapers report that on Sunday, October 2, the great annual bull racing was held on the island of Madura and was attended by a large crowd of natives and by many Europeans who crossed over from Sourabaya especially to witness this very spectacular performance.

Bull-racing—or Kerapan, as it is called—is the favourite sport of the Madurese. In a rough and ready way it may take place at any time either in Madura or among any of the numerous colonies of Madurese in East Java. But the annual race meeting is a gorgeous affair at which the animals are resplendent with harness and trappings of many colours. The "march past" which precedes the contests makes a most imposing spectacle. For the actual races every vestige of unnecessary equipment is removed and then donned again for the prize-giving.

The method of racing is as follows:—Two bulls yoked together draw a vehicle which has no wheels and which is shaped somewhat like a plough on the lines of which it was no doubt designed.

The driver of the team stands on a footboard on the "tail" of the vehicle; in front of him is an upright pole with a crossbar round which he twines one leg to assist him in retaining his position. He can lean over and urge on his beasts by hitting them or by twisting their tails.

The races are usually conducted in heats of two or four teams. The bulls are eager and seem thoroughly to enjoy the sport. As soon as the driver mounts his footboard they know it is sign that the race will soon commence; they become very restive and are held in check with difficulty.

It is quite beyond the capacity of the driver to restrain an excited team and keep them behind the starting line. Several of his friends hold the bulls' heads; and when the signal is given they get out of the way as quickly as they can. The

RAILWAY LAND SLIP IN MALAYA.

ENGINE BURIED IN SEVERAL FEET OF MUD.

Kuala Lumpur, Oct. 17.

The following details have been supplied in connection with the railway mishap at Sungai Buloh on Friday night, by the F.M.S. railway authorities:

There was heavy rain in the Sungai Buloh district and a long special, coming into Kuala Lumpur, suddenly ran into several feet of mud which covered the line for a considerable distance.

Investigations showed that the hillside which is about 50 feet high had slipped on to the line. The engine was buried in the mud up to a depth of about four feet.

Quick Work.

When the matter was reported to headquarters, officers of the loco department set out to the scene of the mishap with gangs of coolies and after a great deal of work the engine was moved on to solid ground on Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday it was re-railled and the line was made good for traffic at 4.30 p.m. meanwhile the passengers were transhipped at Kepong and brought into Kuala Lumpur.

The accident could not be avoided because it occurred so suddenly in very heavy rain and the spot being a corner the engine driver could not get a long view and ran into the slip practically as soon as he could see it.

"MICHAEL STROGOFF"

FAMOUS JULES VERNE STORY FILMED.

The splendour of the semi-barbaric court of the Grand Khan of Tartary, depicted in beautifully tinted colours, is one of the notable settings in "Michael Strogoff," the remarkable film coming to the Queen's Theatre next week as announced by special advertisement in this issue.

The bizarre effects of this setting present a striking contrast to the magnificence of the Imperial Palace at Moscow of Alexander II, Czar of all the Russias in 1850, another of the scenes presented in full natural colours.

The story of Michael Strogoff, taken from the immortal book by Jules Verne, deals with the perilous journey of a secret courier sent by the Czar to warn his brother, the Grand Duke, at Irkutsk of a Tartar plot to assassinate him.

The way of the courier across Siberia is held by Tartar rebels and he meets with many thrilling adventures before he concludes his mission.

"Michael Strogoff" has been produced on a magnificent scale, over 6,000 players taking part. The stirring battle scenes are really wonderful and the burning of a city at night is a splendid piece of realism. Altogether the picture is one of the big achievements of the screen and should create a deep impression in Hongkong.

CLEVER FARCE.

AN AMUSING FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.

Beginning with a cheerful riot in a cafe to celebrate a football victory, the new picture at the Queen's Theatre to-day, "Let's Get Married," is a farce full of lively incidents.

Adapted from the stage success, "The Man From Mexico," the story relates the droll adventures of a young man who is whisked off to gaol for a wild escapade just as he has become engaged to a charming girl and his amusing efforts to explain away his absence of thirty days.

When the young lady visits the gaol, of which her father is warden, matters become acute and the hero only escapes detection by dropping down the laundry chute, to a further series of comical adventures.

The featured players in "Let's Get Married" are Richard Dix as the young suitor, Lois Wilson as his confident, sweetheart, and Edna May Oliver as the skittish spinster who precipitates the second cafe riot which lands the hero in gaol.

"Let's Get Married" will be shown for two days only, giving place to "The Tower of Lies" on Friday, and it is sure to draw large houses at all performances.

"SHANGHAI MIND" CONTROVERSY.

AN ACCUSATION AND A REPLY.

MUCH FEELING AROUSED.

We take the following letter from the North-China Daily News:—

Sir,—A correspondent in the issue of October 19, signing himself "O.D.R.," lays claim to being the originator of the phrase "Shanghai Mind." He goes further. He defines what he means by the phrase, and of all the pieces of effrontery that the citizens of this long suffering town have had to endure, this is one of the worst.

I produce his definition so that it may be thoroughly appreciated by the members of the Shanghai community, who, having appreciated it, will doubtless know how to deal with one in their midst who shows all the earmarks of a traitor to his kind and a betrayer of the community out of which he gets his living. "O.D.R." says:

"By 'Shanghai Mind' I mean the thought of a man who supposes he can continue, forever to enjoy, under obsolete sanctions, the comforts and safeguards of his home land 10,000 or more miles away; who thinks these concessions are foreign territory in which Chinese live by sufferance; whose knowledge of Chinese is confined to 'compradores,' boys and coolies; whose social contact with Chinese is limited to staff dinners in native restaurants; whose cards and brass plates bear nonsensical Chinese characters obtained from uneducated compradores and office boys; whose philosophy is summed up in the phrase: 'I'm not out here for my health; whose ambition is to retire to his homeland at an early age with a comfortable income; who cannot tell his friends at home anything about true Chinese culture; who knows nothing of Chinese painting, music, drama, and literature—the first principles in an understanding of another and alien people; and whose present comforts are largely based upon satisfying glimpses of powerful gunboats lying beyond the Bund fortress—gunboats there for quite definite humanitarian reasons, but not for the enforcement of privileges which rightly do not exist."

That this piece of impertinence is meant to be an affront to the whole community is evident, since, having painted a particularly odious picture of a certain type of mind, which exists in its entirety only in his own mind, he dubs it "The Shanghai Mind," thereby inferring that it is the mind of the greater part of the members of the Shanghai community. Elsewhere I have taken up the defence of Shanghai's mentality, and shown it to be anything but what "O.D.R." has described it as. Here I would like to ask whether the type of mind depicted by him is peculiar to Shanghai, and if not why it should be called "the Shanghai mind." It may further be said that if your correspondent has truly formed such an opinion of the mentalities of the Shanghai people he can be familiar with but an extremely small circle, and one would like to know how that extremely small circle, presumably consisting of friends of his, likes his description of it.

The picture "O.D.R." paints simply is not true, and the fact that he gives publicity to such a picture places him with that disreputable class of newspaper correspondents, with a few of which, alas, Shanghai is cursed, who earn their living by purveying misinformation and by a betrayal of their fellow nationals. It is time men of his type were muzzleed, and since, doubtless, they are within the protection of the law and cannot be pitched out of the community neck and crop, the only weapon left to the community, is social ostracism.

Just as a challenge to "O.D.R." and his definition of the "Shanghai mind" I will ask him to name one man in Shanghai who amounts to anything to whom his definition can apply. I guarantee he cannot do it.

The average Shanghai man has a keen intelligence, knows far more of the Chinese than can be gained from compradores, boys and coolies or from dinners at cheap restaurants, is willing to meet the Chinese half way in any thing that is for the common good of both foreigners and Chinese; and is more than willing, provided he gets a square deal (not special privileges), to revise what "O.D.R." calls obsolete sanctions, although they are actually in force and have never been legally abrogated. A large proportion of Shanghai residents go in for making collections of some branch or other of Chinese art, or study the language or some phase of Chinese culture. Others show an interest in some branch of the natural history of the country, or delight to travel to various places of interest. That a large proportion of them look forward to the day when they will retire and settle down to a comfortable old age in the homeland is, only natural, and is no reason for being stigmatized as "O.D.R." has done. And as for the protection of the

WALKING OVER FIRE IN SINGAPORE.

REMARKABLE CEREMONY AT HINDU TEMPLE.

There were huge crowds of Hindus at the Mariamman Temple in South Bridge Road on Monday evening last week, and not a few Europeans, to witness the fire walking ceremony which is held every year.

For the visitor the sight becomes almost indescribable and most of the residents of Singapore make an effort to see at least once what is undoubtedly a very remarkable scene.

The precincts of the temple were packed to overflowing and there were crowds on the road who were unable to obtain admission. Before the ceremonies commenced everyone seemed to be occupied with making as much noise as possible, and so great was the volume of sound and so intense the waves of heat proceeding from the long broad bed of hot coals, that waiting for the devotees was, to say the least, a most uncomfortable business.

The First Signal.

The first signal that the ceremonies were about to begin was the raking up of the bed of coals and immediately afterwards a goat was brought into the Temple yard and, after water had been poured over it, its head was taken off with remarkable despatch. Body and head were then dragged round the bed of coals to the accompaniment of an ever-increasing chorus of shouts and yells. Then one by one the fire walkers passed the test. They were first scourged with ropes and then walked through the bed of coals carrying, with their hands above their heads, some sort of plant. Some walked and some ran, others started with a fine display of stolicism, but ere they reached the end of the bed, the fire had prevailed and they ran in real good earnest. At the end of the bed, a ditch which had been filled with water and milk awaited them and in this they cooled their scorching limbs.

Children Carried on Shoulders.

One or two changed their minds when they saw all that was expected of them but they were not allowed to withdraw after having gone so far, and were conducted across by a priest who ran over the bed time after time with the greatest unconcern.

Some carried children over on their shoulders. The women were allowed to walk round the edge of the fire though even that was no small undertaking having regard to the intense heat which could be felt yards away.

The last to pass over were those with silver arrows passed through their bodies on which light canopies had been erected. These were greeted with still greater acclamation.

THE "RED TRIANGLE."

A BRIGHT OCTOBER ISSUE.

In the current issue of the "Red Triangle," which has just been issued, the authors have produced a very readable magazine, crammed full of material which will interest both Y.M.C.A. members and the general public.

The activities of the Association, past, present, and future, are dealt with, and there are snappy articles which will appeal. The several sides of the Y. M. C. A.'s interests here are touched upon, and whether in sport, music, literature, or the educative sphere, there is something to read with profit. One of the most interesting contributions, perhaps, is an article on the Chinese language, with illustrations of how the characters in Chinese are built up on a pictorial representation. It gives one food for thought, and might well be the means of urging and encouraging those who hesitate to take up the local tongue, and its written characters, as a serious study.

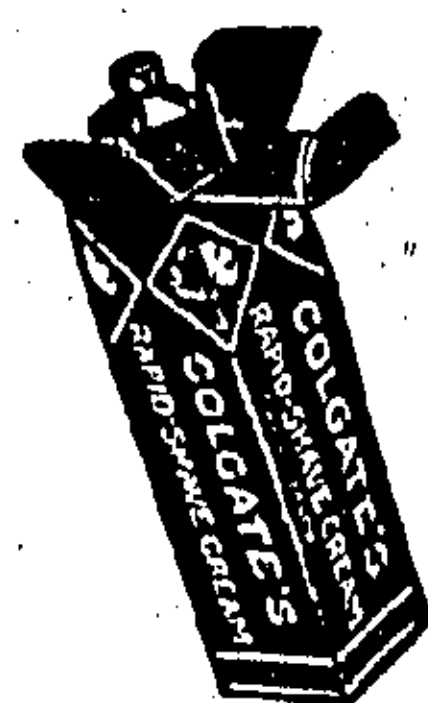
A fine programme has been drawn up for the winter, and the appeal to all tastes assures a very successful season.

gunboats, one would like to ask how long "O.D.R." would stay in Shanghai if that protection were withdrawn.

In any case it is time the kind of thing that "O.D.R." has written should stop. We Shanghai residents have our backs up against the wall. We are surrounded by unscrupulous enemies who are bent on our surrender and destruction, and we cannot afford to allow any of our number to indulge in such ill-timed criticism. It is bad enough when visitors, who have been entertained by this community, go away and write disparaging things about us, but it is ten times worse when one of our own number, who draws his life and sustenance from the community, does so, and I trust that public opinion will so assert itself in such matters as to make such men as "O.D.R." either shut up or get out.

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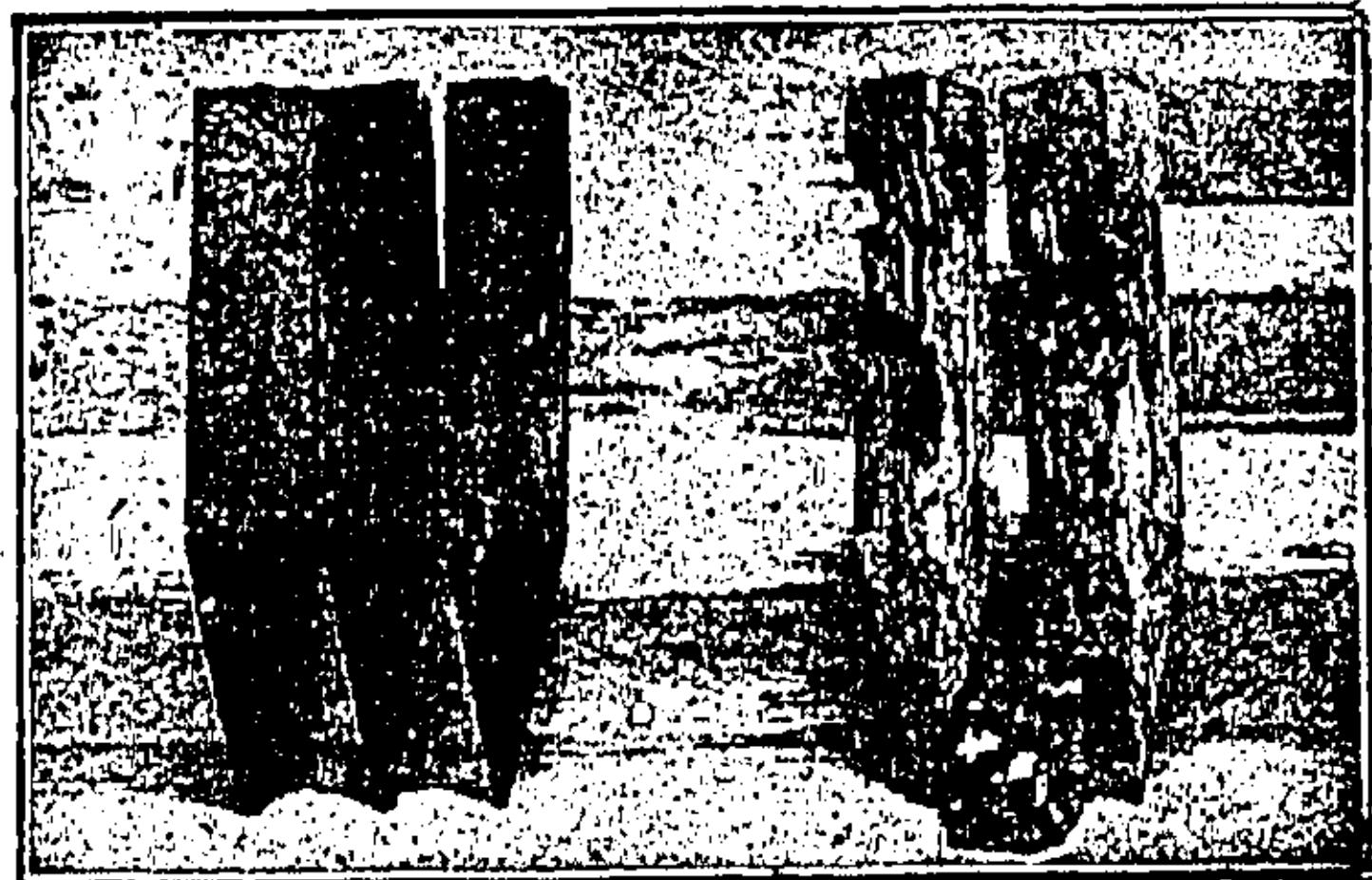
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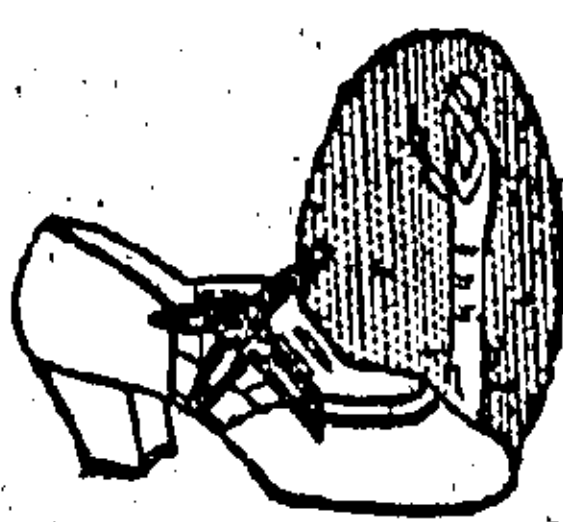
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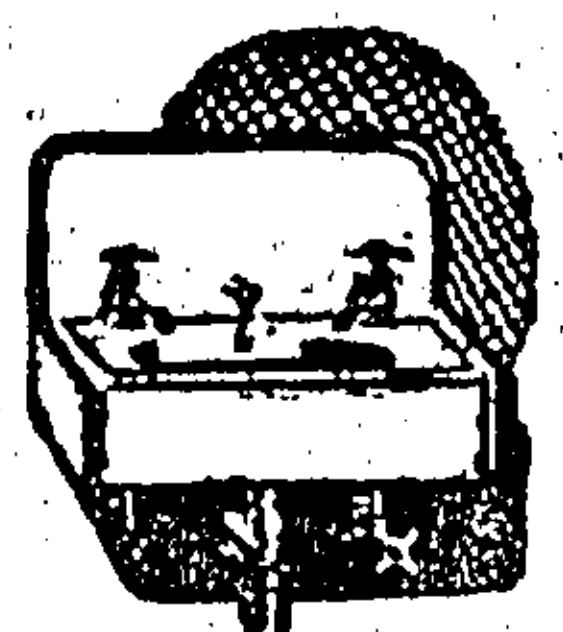
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BEYOND RANGE OF EAR.

One of the most suggestive papers on experimental physics that has appeared for some time is published in the current number of the *Philosophical Magazine*. The authors are Professor R. W. Wood and Mr. A. T. Loomis.

The experimenters have discovered (writes a correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian*) that ultra-sounds have remarkable and unexpected properties. An ultra-sound bears the same relation to an ordinary sound that ultra-violet light bears to ordinary violet light. Just as ultra-violet rays have a shorter wave-length than the violet rays we see, ultra-sounds have a shorter wave-length than the sounds we hear.

An ordinary sound can be made by causing a plate or diaphragm (as in a telephone) to vibrate, the vibrations being communicated to the surrounding air, which transmits them as waves of sound. If the vibrations are at the rate of 40,000 per second, they will cause audible sounds, but if the rate of vibration is over 40,000 (some place the average upper limit as low as 25,000 per second), the human ear will be unable to hear the resulting ultra-sounds.

To produce an ultra-sound a plate has to be caused to vibrate with a frequency of over 40,000 per second. This can be achieved very neatly by exploiting an interesting property of certain substance (in particular, quartz) consisting of odd-shaped crystals.

When these crystals are compressed electric charges develop on different parts, probably due to the uneven stress set up in the odd-shaped crystal structure; and, conversely, when suitably electrically charged, they shrink or expand.

500,000 Vibrations a Second.

If the opposite sides of a plate of quartz are given positive and negative electric charge the plate will be distorted. If the charges are suddenly reversed to negative and positive, the plate will be distorted in the opposite direction. If the reversion is repeated rapidly, the plate is made to vibrate. The rate of vibration depends directly on the rapidity of the alternations in the electric charges.

Now alternating electric charges can be produced by suitable electrical machinery with a frequency as high as 700,000 per second. If the quartz plate is connected to such a machine, it can be thrown into an intense state of vibration of frequency up to 500,000 per second; at higher frequencies the quartz is liable to be shaken into fragments.

These vibrations cause "sound" waves in solids, liquids, and gases in contact with the plate, but the resulting "sounds" are utterly beyond the range of the human ear.

Ultra-sound waves were used for the detection of submarines during the war. Beams of waves of frequency about 40,000 were directed through the water towards submarines, the hulls of which reflected the beam as an echo. The time that the echo took to reach certain places enabled the position of the submarine to be calculated.

The ultra-sound waves can be transmitted through glass threads a yard or more in length and less

ALLEGED CRUELTY AT SEA.

BRITISH PROTESTS
AGAINST U. S. DECISION.

The Foreign Office, the *Daily News* says, is stated to be "very surprised" at the action of the New York grand jury in refusing to indict Captain Crowley for the cruelties alleged to have been practised on Lieut. Frederick Thomas when acting as steward on board his ship.

The short reports of the proceedings which have so far reached this country certainly seem to leave many things unexplained. Why was not Lieut. Thomas himself summoned to attend? Was any effort made to get his case fairly presented? What steps are taken to check the story told by the captain?

Even assuming that there is substance in his explanation, is it held to be a sufficient reason for abandoning this unfortunate man after the treatment he had received, penniless in a hospital in the Dutch East Indies?

It is stated that the evidence in possession of Sir Austen Chamberlain conflicts entirely with the finding of the jury. Presumably it does, or the Foreign Office would scarcely have taken the strong line it has. The case cannot be left where it is, for the British Government can scarcely allow itself, without protest, to be simply ruled out of court by a New York grand jury.

Reuters' Washington representatives learn that the United States Department of Justice is requesting the United States District Attorney of New York to forward all the details of the case to Washington, with the idea possibly of instituting a second grand jury.

than one-hundredth of an inch in diameter. If the end of the thread is held between finger and thumb, the vibration causes a burn, due to the minute but terrifically rapid poundings of the glass on the skin. In one case bright red spots similar to blood-blisters developed, which did not disappear for weeks, suggesting that blood-vessels deep in the skin had been disrupted.

Fish Quickly Killed.

A pine chip is burned and bored and caused to emit sparks, as if it were in contact with a red-hot wire. If a glass plate is held against the thread, a hole is bored through it, and minute particles of glass powder and globules of fused glass are flung aside.

These experiments suggest that the ultra-sound waves may be used for the production of concentrated but exceedingly intense vibrations, possibly for surgical purposes.

It was found that living organisms having cells were killed owing to disruption, the waves setting up contrary forces in any body which is substantially larger than the wave-length. On the other hand, bacteria were unaffected, their small size enabling them to vibrate as a whole and thus escape disrupting forces.

Fish exposed to the waves are quickly killed, a fact first discovered during the war with the submarine detector waves. Mice are much less sensitive. Their death appears to be due to a rise in internal temperature caused by the absorption of the waves in the body-material.

FROM THE POLAR SEAS.

DISCOVERY BRINGS HOME
A STRANGE CARGO.

"PRICKLY PETER."

After cruising for two years in the Polar seas the famous Antarctic ship Discovery crept into Falmouth Harbour yesterday morning under cover of darkness (says the *Daily Chronicle* correspondent).

The gallant three-master auxiliary barque in which Scott made his first Antarctic expedition in 1901-4, and in which Shackleton later served as third officer, now lies at anchor off St. Marves.

She is loaded with many strange creatures from the depth of the Antarctic seas, some of them new to zoology.

The Discovery has been brought home by Commander Stenhouse, who was associated with Shackleton, and has made many voyages to frozen seas.

This stout-timbered craft is moored within sight of that other sea aristocrat, the Swift, and the beautiful Cutty Sark, now at her last anchorage.

Many changes have been made in the ship since Scott's day, cabins having been turned into laboratories and store-rooms for scientific apparatus used to plumb the ocean's depths.

I was shown, preserved in spirit many curious specimens of crustacea, whale food, and the lowest forms of animal life.

There is the fantastically shaped Antarctic crab of many legs, and something like a horse-shoe with many protruding points. He has been affectionately named "Prickly Peter," and prickly he certainly looks—a regular Jonah for any whale.

Many of the objects, said Dr. Stanley Kemp, director of research, we have been unable to identify, and some of them undoubtedly are new to zoology.

This study of the swarms of crustacea and other ocean life which attracts whales from one part to another is likely to afford valuable evidence on the migratory habit of the herds.

Polygamous Whales.

Three cadets—British boys—Bentley, O'Connor, and Pearce, who will be envied by all other boys, have returned so tall and strong that their people will hardly know them.

Cadet Captain John Bentley, who was but 15 when he sailed was the youngest boy ever to sail to the Antarctic.

Dr. Kemp laughed when the question of polygamous whales was raised.

We now know, he said, that herds of one sex often move from one place to another, and it is, therefore, hardly likely that the male would recognise only the wife of the past season.

The Discovery visited the dependencies of the Falklands—South Georgia, South Orkneys, and South Shetlands. Her farthest point was 65 degrees south in the neighbourhood of Anvers Island.

HUSBAND'S APPEAL REFUSED.

A GENERAL AS FATHER
IN-LAWS.

"This is only coercion because I happen to have a father-in-law who is a General," said an applicant in the Vacation Court, London, before Mr. Justice Macdonald.

His Lordship had just in absolute 126 decrees in matrimonial suits, when the respondent in the case of White (other Ellison) v. White appeared front of the solicitors' table said his Lordship had given permission to intervene.

Mr. White, the respondent, a fair-haired young man, had the Judge at a previous hearing that he had come all the way from South Africa to defend the case and had had no notice of what eventually took place.

Mr. T. J. O'Connor, M.P., he appeared for the wife in case.

Mr. White (to the Judge)—I gave me permission to intervene since that time I have approached the King's Proctor. He wants evidence, but as that takes 15 days I will ask you to strike this out for a time. You gave me right to see you in chambers regard to the custody of my child—access to my child.

Mr. O'Connor—I have every reason to think that the proceedings of your Lordship's Court is danger of being abused. This is a case of nullity of marriage not dissolution—on the ground of bigamy, and the suit was instituted in November 1926. Respondent has made repeated applications during the course of the suit, leave to defend, and they have been refused.

His Lordship (to respondent)—You have not even intervened.

Mr. White—I have been to the King's Proctor. This case should have been put in the defended list. I came from South Africa to defend it, but they never gave notice. This is only coercion because I happen to have a father-in-law who is a General. His Lordship made the decision absolute.

Her investigations on behalf of the Falkland Islands Government are controlled by a Colonial Office Committee, on which are represented the British Museum, Admiralty, the Royal Geographical Society, and the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. Our whole object, Dr. Kemp told me, is to find out something about whales, the ultimate object being to prevent them being terminated.

Purely scientific, the work of none of the glamour and excitement of previous Antarctic expeditions. We have merely done a good deal of hard work under very rough conditions.

Dr. Kemp referred to the work of the auxiliary research ship William Scoresby, now in a hospital, which had been marked by shooting them with silver darts with identity disks. The Discovery will reach the Thames on October 1, and a collection and data will be sifted in London.

Later she and the William Scoresby leave again for the Antarctic.

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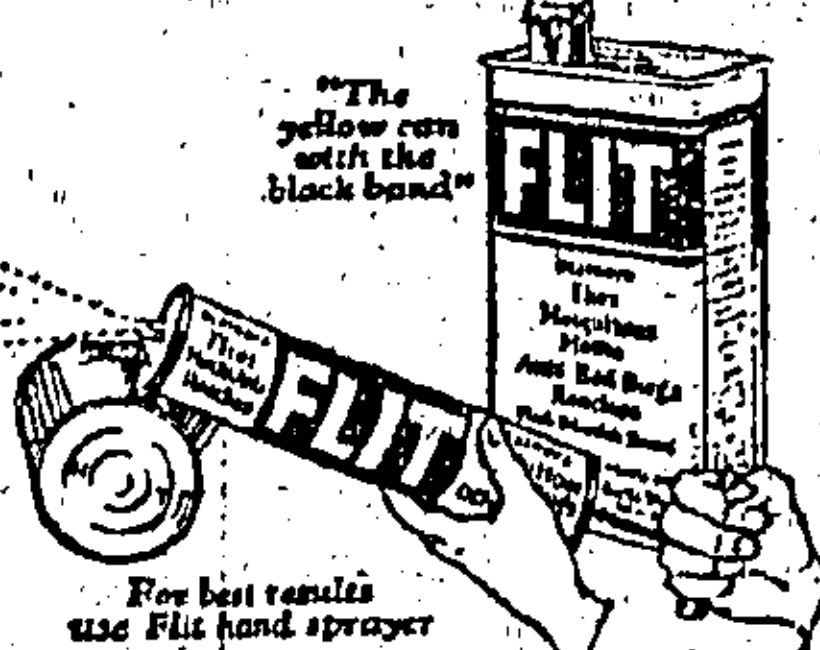
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THE MERAFIELD MYSTERY.

By R. A. J. WALLING.
(Author of "The Third Degree," "Fatal Glove," etc.)

CHAPTER IX.

But before I had gone half a mile westward I had stopped the car and turned, and was retracing my way.

I could not hope to catch Atkins. But there were other things I could do now that could not be done later. Principally, I could try to discover something about Mrs. Briscoe, who was at this moment riding eastward in Merafield's car with Merafield's chauffeur.

Up to this point I had been blessed with incredible luck. Atkins was a smart fellow, whoever he might be, but he had made the mistake of over-estimating his opponent—if opponent I was to consider myself. He thought I knew a lot more than I did. In his anxiety to foil me he had actually presented me with an open sesame to the confidence of the excellent Dr. Sandys, which I should have had difficulty in penetrating without that key.

For instance, I could not have pounced suddenly upon Dr. Sandys and demanded to know who in his house had sent a telephone message in the small hours of the morning of the 20th August. Thanks to Atkins, I knew to a moral certainty that it was sent by Mrs. Briscoe. And as I had only been able to learn the very name of Mrs. Briscoe by pretending to know all about her, further inquiries on that subject from Dr. Sandys were ruled out.

Whether Mrs. Briscoe's telephone message was linked up with the murder of Sir Charles Merafield or not, it was certainly closely connected with the events of the Monday and the Tuesday. By guile, by force, or by any means that suggested themselves, I must learn all that could be learnt about Mrs. Briscoe.

I drove straight through Chitteshamstead again and took the road to Exeter. I supposed that by this time Atkins had half an hour's start of me. But there was little traffic on the road, and Merafield's magnificent car could hardly have escaped notice.

I prepared a question to put to the likeliest persons I could see. Addressed to two loungers in front of the public-house in the first village I passed, it worked perfectly.

"I have missed some friends motoring across the moor. Have you seen a large car pass within the last half-hour or so, with a driver in a brown uniform?"

Aye, they had. It went through the village like a railway train about half an hour back, and would be in Exeter long before now.

"Ah!" said I. "But let me make sure. Did you see who was in the car? Was it a lady?"

"Aye," said the first loafer, "so you may say, if you please. Anyhow, 'twas a wench—a s'itinn' longside the driver, her was. Little chit of a thing, puffin' away at a cigarette. Hadn't got no hat on, an' her hair clip short. Any way, 'twas a female right enough."

I made no surprise at hearing my supposed friend thus described. I thanked the loafers and went on, as fast as the car would go, to Exeter, and straight to the big garage known as Stanbury's.

Not that I hoped to catch Atkins there, even if he called. He probably would, to make sure of corroboration of his story in case I followed him up. But he would be careful to have got out of the way before I arrived.

And so it proved. The big car had been in with a supposed fault in its lighting circuit, which proved to be non-existent—but then you never could tell with these chauffeurs, could you? They were mostly incompetent, and not to be compared with owner-drivers.

But I had to make quite sure that the big car was the one I had missed. Was there a lady with the chauffeur?

Yes. And yes, again, she was a young lady. Hair shingled? Certainly. She got out of the car hatless and strolled about the garage while they were looking at the wiring. A slight and short young lady—smoking a cigarette? No; smoking was not allowed in the garage. But she was the sort of young lady who would doubtless have smoked a cigarette on any provocation. Friend of mine?

"No," said I, "merely an acquaintance on the road." Ah, well, the intelligent mechanic thought you never could tell with these young ladies any more than you could with these chauffeurs. But he must say he fancied her a bit free in her language. Not but what she was a real young

lady—you could tell that by the style of her and the tone of her voice. But as for him, he didn't hold with young ladies being familiar enough with their chauffeurs to call them by their pet names.

"And did she do that, really?" "Oh, yes, she did. You couldn't help noticing it. 'Better hurry up, Boyo,' says she, 'or we shall be in the car.'"

And which way did they go? I wanted to know, for I was to meet them at dinner either at Taunton or Torquay, and we were to have a led the next stage when we reached Exeter, but I had got left behind.

The intelligent mechanic was plainly a little too intelligent to swallow this invention. He looked rather sadly at me, as if he thought it was a deplorable thing for a middle-aged gentleman like myself to be carrying round the country in search of a young lady who called her chauffeur "Boyo." He turned away, saying: "Then it must have been Torquay, for they went down the street."

And I did feel rather alarmed at the facility with which I found myself lying right and left.

But I had found out a part of what I wanted to know. Mrs. Briscoe was a chit of a girl with a free style; she was on terms of close familiarity with Atkins; and they had gone westward again.

Atkins himself must be my next objective.

I drove back by the main road, avoiding Dartmoor. This was Atkins's speedway to Merafield if he was bound in that direction. By applying my question here and there, I traced him and Mrs. Briscoe as far as the hamlet of Wickham, two miles from Merafield Bridge. At Merafield Bridge Atkins had been in the car alone.

At home, I found my wife surprised to see me so early. Yes, she said, Atkins had called round to ask for me, saying something about a telephone message shortly after I left. She had told him she did not know the direction I had taken.

"Which way did you go?" she asked. "Did he overtake you?"

"Yes," said I, "but not till near Exeter. The telephone message was nothing important. You won't ask any questions, will you?"

"Not—but I suppose I may make a remark? Atkins is a remarkably gentlemanly man for a chauffeur."

"He is," I said. "But if I were you I would pretend not to have noticed it."

I knew that would be enough for my wife—always the soul of discretion.

After dinner I walked over to Merafield Tower to see Mason. I told him I was sorry to have been away when the telephone message came for me.

"I hope it was nothing important, sir."

"No, not very. Only if I had received it I might have been saved a journey."

"So Atkins said, sir; and when we had talked it over we agreed that he might as well go and try to find you. But I didn't think he'd go so far. All the way to Exeter, wasn't it, sir?"

"Yes, he overtook me just this side. The big car is so much faster than mine that I suppose he got home early."

"About five, I think," said Mason. "He said something about stopping at Exeter to have his wires looked at, or some such thing. I'm a fool about cars."

"Seems a nice, competent fellow," said I. "How long has he been with you, Mason?"

"Not more than a few weeks, sir."

"How did Sir Charles pick him up?"

"Well, it was rather curious. He was really engaged by my lady, as you may say. Sir Charles did most of his own driving in that terrible fast little car of his own. The chauffeur was to drive the big car and look after the garage got an offer all of a sudden from a gentleman in London he'd never heard of before, and as it was big money and all in a hurry, he accepted by telegram. And the very next morning her ladyship gets a letter from Atkins saying he's heard that she wanted a chauffeur used to this particular kind of car, and would he do, as he was out of a job, but had good references. She said if the man was any good it would save a lot of bother advertising. Atkins comes down and is engaged on the spot."

"Very lucky," said I. "And very curious, as you remark, Mason."

SUN FO'S FINANCIAL ENDEAVOURS.

CIRCULARISES ALL DEPARTMENTS.

Nanking, Oct. 19.
The sum of \$3,300,000 has been secured by Mr. Sun Fo since his assumption of office as the Minister of Finance. Of this amount, \$2,000,000 have been turned over to the Military Council for meeting the expenses of the Nationalist Army while \$300,000 has been distributed to various civil departments of the Government.

In face of greater demands, due to the continuation of the northern expedition, however, Mr. Sun has despatched a circular order to all revenue offices in both Chekiang and Kiangsu provinces, urging them to remit all available funds to either the Bank of China or the Bank of Communications at Shanghai or Nanking to enable him to meet the pressing needs, both military and civil.

A petition circulated to government departments Mr. Sun reports that heretofore the practice of various government organs has been extremely arbitrary, rendering thereby the work of effective centralization and systematization of the control of finance practically impossible.

"Many departments," Mr. Sun's petition reads in part, "have taken upon themselves to approve of their own estimates and apply funds accordingly, while others have even gone so far as to appropriate sums before reporting to the Ministry. Such practices render the work of careful analysis and wise appropriations by the Ministry impossible. For the sake of establishing an effective system of control and clarifying financial responsibility, the Government Council is hereby petitioned to order all organs to remit the Government's revenue to the Ministry and to wait for their respective allotments decided upon by the Ministry."

"Yes, sir, it is. But Atkins is a nice quiet, unassuming chap—almost a gentleman, as you might say. We get on very well."

"Of course. It would be a poor creature who couldn't get on with you, Mason. I suppose Atkins drove Lady Merafield about a good deal?"

"Well, yes, sir, a goodish bit. You see, she had lots of time to herself, and was fond of going about. It isn't for me to say anything about Sir Charles, who was always a good master, and I'd known him since he was a boy, but it was noticeable what after the first he and Lady Merafield didn't get on very well together. Sir Charles neglected her, as you might say."

"Oh!"

I could not bring myself to the question I wished to ask. I left it at "Oh!" But Mason went on to answer it for me.

"Yes, sir. It began with the fuss about Jane Enderby. And I always did say to myself that if Sir Charles had done the right thing he would have got rid of Jane Enderby before Lady Merafield came home."

"Jane Enderby?" I echoed.

"Oh, well, sir, I daresay you haven't lived all these years in the world without knowing what gentlemen are where a pretty girl is concerned. Jane Enderby was too pretty for a housemaid, and that's the truth. But whatever happened before he was married, I think Sir Charles ought not to have had her in the house after he was married. No good could come of it, and none did. Of course, she went when Lady Merafield insisted, but Lady Merafield had to threaten to go herself, as I happen to know."

"Oh, well," said I, "that's a thing of the past, and Sir Charles is gone now."

"Yes, sir. Poor Sir Charles!" Mason sighed. "But it accounts for what I was saying, sir, 'at Atkins was out driving Lady Merafield about a goodish bit.'"

"I suppose she had some favourite drives? Across the moors, for instance?"

"No, I don't think she liked the moors much. She was fond of the sea, and Atkins often talked about the difficulty of getting the car along some of the narrow lanes by the coast."

I made a note to find out what had become of Jane Enderby. Perhaps there was no harm in putting one question to Mason.

"I suppose Atkins knew nothing about the causes of Lady Merafield's long drives alone?"

Jane Enderby would have been gone long before Atkins came here."

"Oh, long before, sir. I don't think he ever heard her name. We don't encourage gossip about that sort of thing, and Atkins is a very reserved kind of man—keeps himself to himself, as the saying is."

Nevertheless, I felt curious as to whether Mrs. Briscoe and Jane Enderby knew anything of each other.

"I suppose Jane Enderby was the usual housemaid type, Mason?" said I.

WOMEN AND BARBERS SHOPS.

HANGCHOW'S BOBBED BEAUTIES RISE IN WRATH.

Bob haired women members of the Hangchow Kuomintang are up in arms against a new ruling of the provincial government which forbids barber shops from accepting female customers according to a letter from the capital city of Chekiang.

The action of the Government was taken as the direct result of a recent incident in which a Chinese hair dresser attempted to take unseemly advantage of a maid servant while dressing her hair in the home of her employer. A member of the Ku family of Chin Nien Li in Hangchow city recently sent for an employee of the Oriental Barber Shop, as many members of the family wanted to have hair cuts. The barber answered the call, and after attending to the needs of six members of the family, he began to dress the hair of a maid-servant.

Maid is Saved.

While the maid was reclining on the chair the barber suddenly threw a piece of white cloth over her face and proceeded to insult her. The girl struggled and screamed. Finally other members of the household rushed to her rescue.

The barber was at once arrested and handed over to the bureau of public peace. The bureau reported the affair to the government and after a lengthy conference between the two organizations it was decided to issue a proclamation forbidding barber shops to accept women customers.

Women Up in Arms.

This roused the anger of the women members of the Kuomintang who are thus reduced to the necessity of having to go to Shanghai for a hair cut. They at once called an urgent meeting and discussed what steps should be taken against the measure of the government. After a prolonged deliberation it was decided to issue a statement challenging the legality of the action of the government.

The statement says that it is contrary to the principles of the Kuomintang to visit the crime of one barber on the heads of all members of his trade. The reason which prompted the government to issue the recent law is because an employee of the Oriental Barber Shop has been guilty of unseemly conduct. But that concerns one man only and there is no reason why it should affect all others. The ends of justice would be served if this black sheep is punished and discharged from the shop. Granting that the employees of that whole shop are dangerous, then the government should close it, but not other shops which have nothing to do with the matter.

In view of the present action of the government, one would like to know whether it intends to ask those who have already bobbed their hair to grow it again.

"Yes. A ladylike girl enough to all appearances. Not that anybody who knew the real thing could have made a mistake, sir."

But unless the intelligent mechanic at Stanbury's garage had made a mistake, Mrs. Briscoe was the real thing in Mason's sense. The question had to be reserved.

I saw Atkins for a few moments before I left Merafield Tower. He seemed, indeed, to have been waiting for me.

The fellow was as impenetrable as a Chinaman. I knew he had brought me a bogus message, that he had lied like Ananias, that he had tricked me, or tried to, all the afternoon, that he had spirited Mrs. Briscoe away from Chitteshamstead in order that I should not see her, and that in some way or other he was deeply concerned in the mysteries surrounding the murder of Sir Charles Merafield.

Yet I could not persuade myself to dislike and suspect the fellow, as by all the rules I ought to have done. I suffered from what the psychologists would probably call a sympathy complex.

"Got back all right, sir?" said he, touching his cap.

"Yes," I said. "You had the legs of me, Atkins, with that car. I went round by Exeter, but, of course, you were hours ahead of me."

"Very fine engine, that sir," he remarked. "I called in at Exeter about the wiring. It was nothing much after all."

"Ah!"

"I hope you think I did the right thing in going after you, sir? Mason thought so, and, of course, we didn't know how important it might be."

"Oh, perfectly right," said I. "You don't know how much trouble you saved me, Atkins."

"I'm very glad, sir. Good-night. An impenetrable chauffeur, that."

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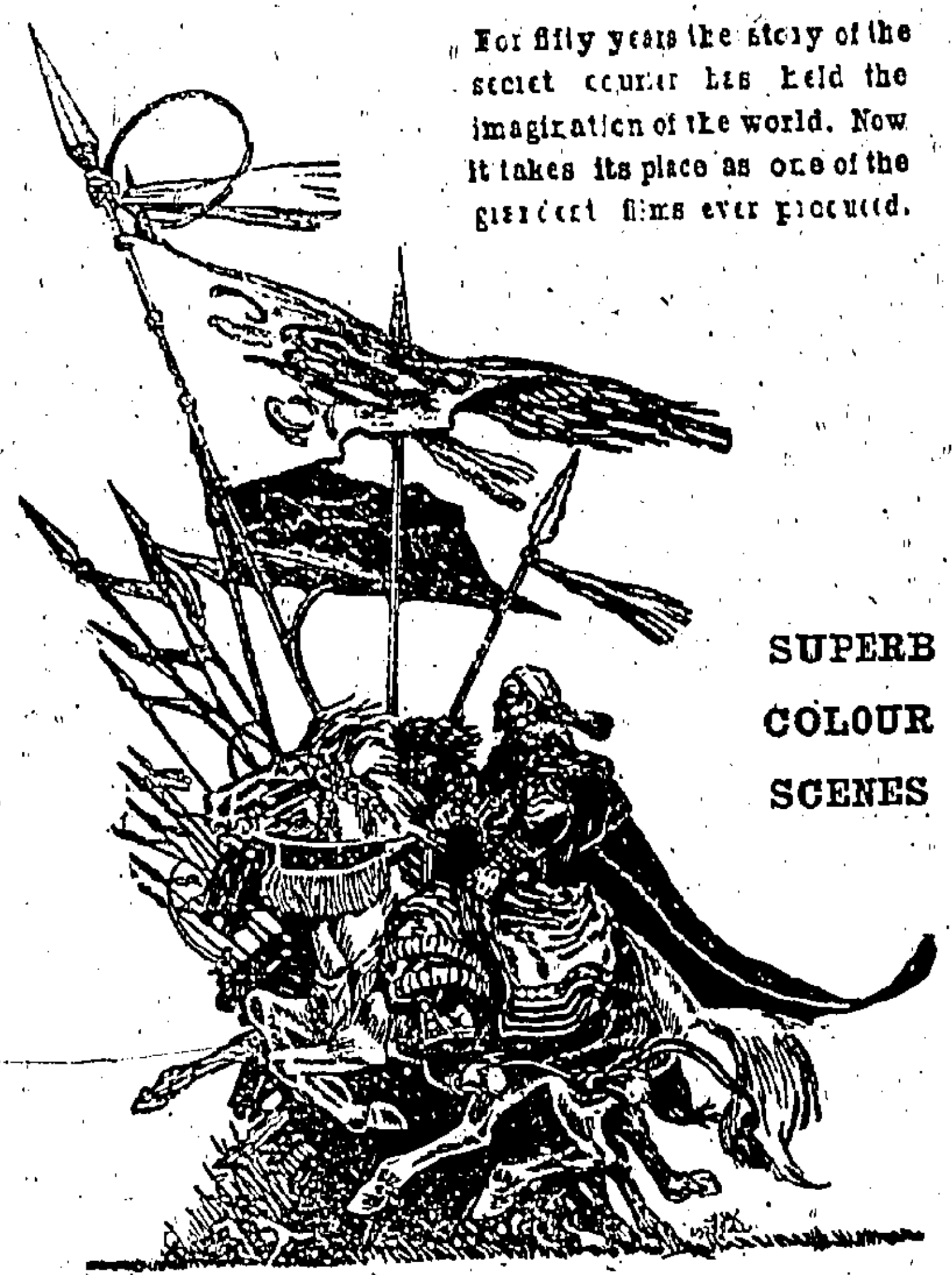
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Thursday, October 13th, was the second day of the redemption of notes, and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce was again surrounded with a tremendous crowd of Chinese. Considerable disorder was witnessed during the hours of redemption as the crowd made several attempts to rush the entrance. The armed guards were repeatedly compelled to use their bayonets in holding the crowd back and maintaining order.

It was observed that most of those who gained admittance into the Chamber and actually had their notes cashed, were soldiers and military officers who formed almost seventy per cent of the crowd. The soldiers were allowed to pass the gate freely, while civilians had to struggle hard for an opportunity to enter the premises of the Chamber. According to a report, practically no civilians succeeded in getting their notes redeemed.

According to a report of the Wuhan News Agency, the notes are being redeemed at three different places, the General Chamber of Commerce, the Bank of China and Bank of Communications. The report further intimates that the Central Bank has redeemed \$300,000 worth of its notes, the Bank of China \$30,000 and the Bank of Communications \$25,000 at the rate of twenty-cents silver to a dollar.

Bureau Employees Demand Silver. A "protest" demonstration was held in the afternoon by the employees of the Anti-Opium Bureau who demand silver for their wages. It is learned that the Bureau workers were paid in Central Bank notes, which they refused to take. The demonstration was held just outside the Anti-Opium Bureau on Poyang Road in the S. A. D. No. 3.

News reached London in mail week from America that the International Team Trophy match for a small bore marksmanship resulted in a victory for the United States team by the narrow margin of four points. The score made by the United States team was 7,807, while that of the British team registered on the Ham and Petersham ranges was 7,803, also a world's record. After many years, the British team succeeded last year in winning the coveted trophy with a world's record score of 7,799 points, and the trophy was brought across the Atlantic and handed over to the care of the Lord Mayor at the Guildhall.

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Intimate glimpses of the Queen whistling snatches of musical comedy in the corridors of Buckingham Palace, hanging pictures "with the greatest of gusto" in the same Royal home, and tucking up her sleeves to tackle furniture and carpets at Holyrood are given in "Queen Mary," a book by Kathleen Woodward, published in mail week.

Since the book has been written with official sanction and aid, the portrait of Her Majesty may be accepted as a genuine one.

Queen Mary is revealed as one who lives heartily and has the gift of infectious laughter, one shy and sensitive who can be "angry, ragingly angry," one with "an eighteenth century taste," and a deep passion for antiques, one who loves colour, but is "un-clever about clothes" and disdains cosmetics, and is the possessor of "an uncanny memory."

Many charming stories are told of her, but the popular fable of the Queen personally supervising the conduct of the Royal larders and linen cup-boards is killed outright. The authoress bluntly points out that she has not time for this. She says:

The domestic genius of Queen Mary is especially to be noted in its relation with her domestics—the innumerable officials and servants, the hosts of the household, all of whom she conspicuously leaves to their own particular work. Intrusion and encroachment would be unthinkable, because unnecessary and an absurd waste of time, and Queen Mary does not waste time in her household affairs.

Critic of Short Frocks.

Her particular personal contribution lies in decoration. It is recorded that Windsor Castle has been transformed from a higgledy-piggledy depository of treasures into a well-ordered beauty of furniture and antiques under her direction.

Queen Mary has become an authority on pictures, furniture, heraldry, and antiques, particularly in respect of Georgian times.

Her working day is so full that the bulk of her daily post has to be dealt with before breakfast.

In the matter of dress the Queen is said to be a mixture of "pliancy and sheer immovableness." She will not shed her liking for toques nor tolerate a glimpse of her ankles. She permits nothing "dresy" in her wardrobes.

Her favourite colour in dress is a wisteria—delphinium blue—pale and soft, with a suggestion of mauve in the blue—pervence blue. In all things she prefers soft pastel shades to brilliance in colouring. She has a marked aversion to black.

"On the use of cosmetics and the modes and manners of the modern society woman the Queen is said to be 'frigidly English.' It was a woman who appeared at Court 'in a skirt slashed up almost to her knee' who made her 'angry, ragingly angry.'"

Photographs in an English periodical of society people abandoning themselves on a fashionable French shore drew from the Queen the comment: "They would look almost more decent if they had no clothes at all."

"The Queen and the Baby."

The book tells a neat story against the Queen which happened during a tour of the East-end slums.

Round and about Ware Street she toured in her characteristic way, and when she turned at last despairingly to a woman of Ware Street and asked, "Why, why do you live here?" she was reminded with firm courtesy that it was because "we can't git anywhere else, madam."

Officially her "expressions of horror" had no sequel, but it is added on the authority of Lady Cynthia Colville that "one of the results was the £40,000 voted within the next week or two by the London County Council towards clearing up the horror."

On another occasion the Queen visited a maternity home at Hampstead and a baby was placed in her arms for the taking of the usual photograph.

At the critical moment she cried, "Matron, but what is the matter with its eye?"

She was the first to detect a slight inflammation of the child's eyelid.

Her observation and "uncanny memory" is illustrated by a story of giving presents. With regard to the prospective recipient she remarked, "Well, I know he smokes give him a cigarette case."

Illustrating the Queen's memory for faces, the following incident is quoted.

In a passing crowd in Tasmania, in the turmoil and distraction of a "State Drive," Queen Mary observed to her lady-in-waiting, of a man in the crowd—

"There he is—I heard him preach once when I was a child; he was curate in East Sheen."

A Hospital Incident.

A remarkable incident, illustrating the Queen's courage, is given.

The story is of a visit paid by the Queen to a hospital for sailors disfigured in the war, and which had for its "worst" patient a sailor with the front of his face almost burnt away.

Only to see the man was an ordeal even to the members of the staff, and so great was in consciousness of the horror of his appearance that he had lost all his confidence.

The Queen was approached by the head of the hospital, who said:—"We think that if you could possibly sit and talk with him for a while without betraying any consciousness of his appearance, it would do him more good than anything else in the world."

Queen Mary, it should be known, remarks the author, has more than an ordinary natural shrinking and horror from the sight of illness and human mutilation. For a long time the Queen sat alone talking with the patient in his room, "looking straight into his face, sitting near enough to touch him."

The significance of the story and its relation to the whole of

Queen Mary's Royal career adds the author, is in her afterthought:—"It was indescribable. I thought I could not do it; but then, of course, there simply is nothing one can't do..."

War-Time Economics.

Miss Woodward's book concludes with an account of the Queen's tireless activities during the war particularly her work in organising and inspiring the famous Central Committee.

The following story excellently conveys the extremely Spartan nature of home life at Buckingham Palace which the King manfully embraced like the rest of his household, at the Queen's bidding.

It occurred during one of the unending visits which Their Majesties together undertook to the wounded soldiers in hospital.

King George was being shown an economical apparatus for heating purposes which suffuses an equable heat all over the building.

"But how lucky you are," said His Majesty, rather ruefully. "And you may go from one room to another? You know, we have to live in a corner of one room to keep warm!"

Then, after a moment's deep reflection, His Majesty added— "And you can have hot baths every day! I only get a hot bath once a week now, and—well, you just can't lather soap in cold water, can you?"

Look at the ardent lovers on the screen. All you see is a big empty space and two figures. All they saw was a staring, apathetic crowd, the camera's baleful eye, and the director's megaphone (writes John Gilbert, the celebrated film lover, in *Ti-Bits*). In the studio incessant hammering goes on while scene after scene are rehearsed, and only ceases when the actual "take" begins, upon the smiting of a gong. The conclusion of the scene is the signal for the gong to be struck again, and the hammering begins afresh. You have the director, several assistant directors, camera-men, the chief electrician and his aids, and abettors; the chief property man and his following; the script girl, the studio orchestra, the publicity staff, the wardrobe staff, the rest of the company, all ready to leap into action. Clashed in each other's arms the hero and the heroine are about to indulge in passionate kisses. If his mind is on his work, the man is whispering, "Dearest, you are the most marvellous girl in the world! I love you!" I've said it myself hundreds of times. And two feet away, a director is leaning forward, megaphone in hand, hissing fiercely—Now look at her as though you really like her; and don't make her turn three-quarter face to the camera. You know she can't stand it. Too much, too much! Let's have a kiss that looks as though it might be real! Come on—it looks rotten—rotten! Hold it—it's good—it's better. Cut.



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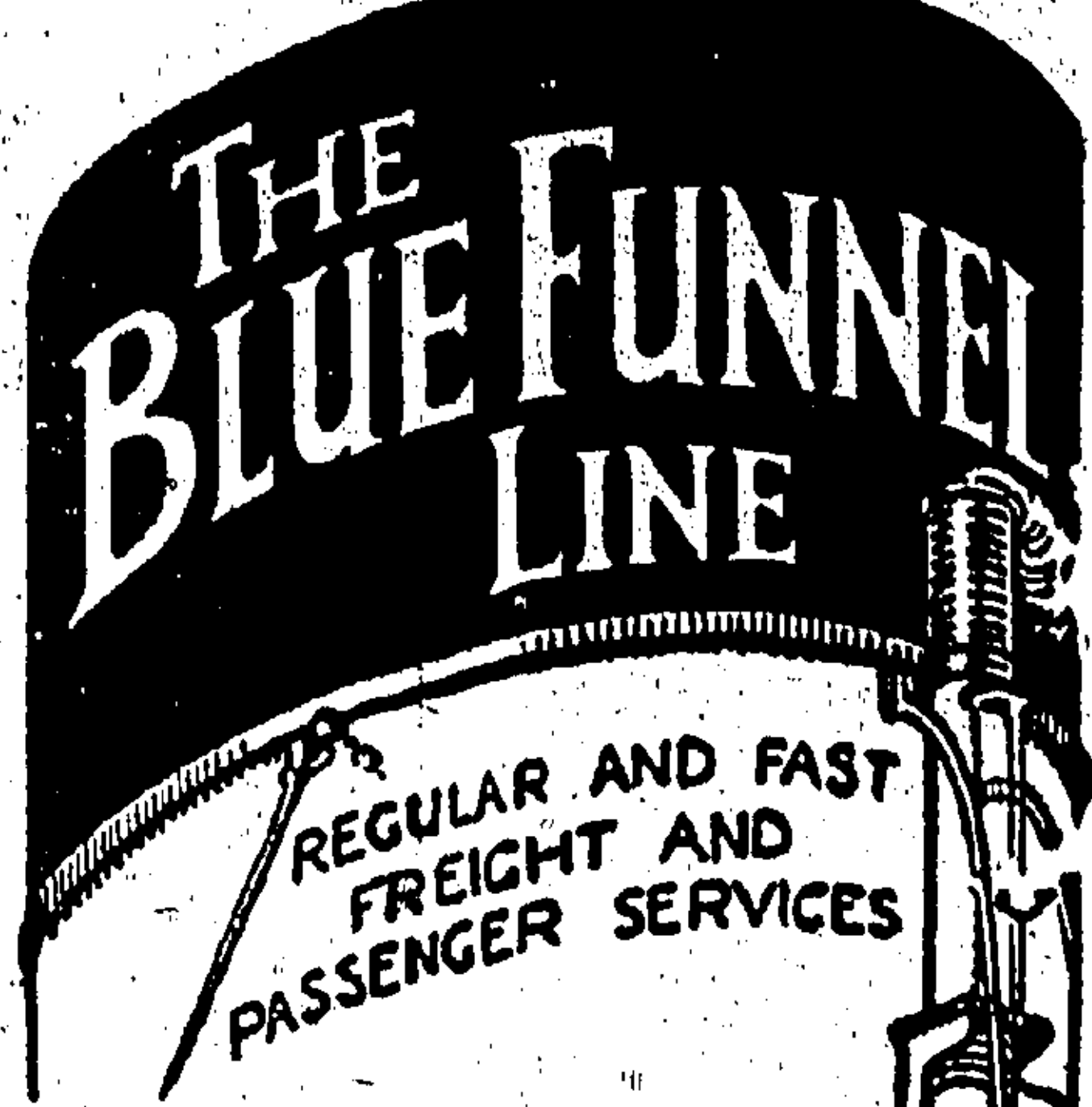
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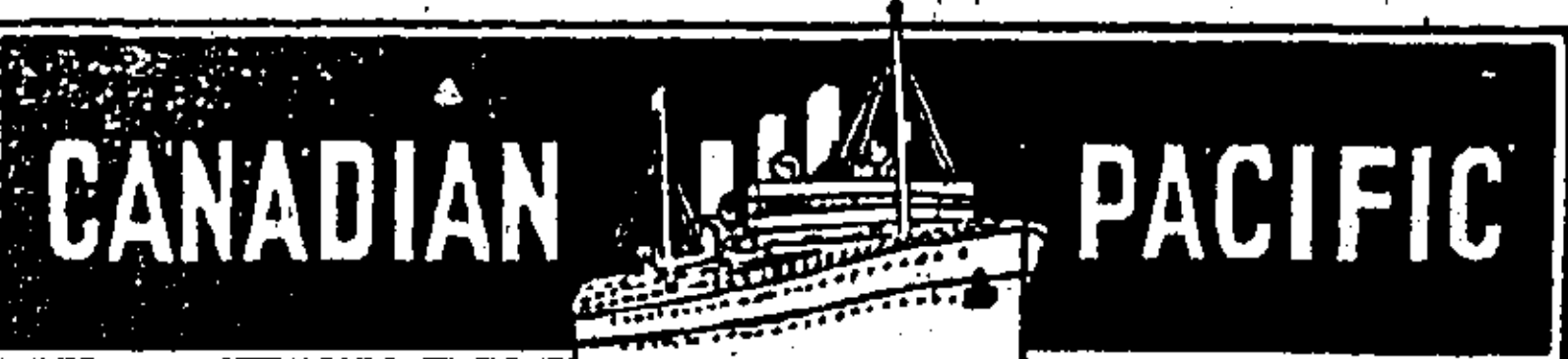
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kind, and the Holy Father Pope
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of the Holy Year held at Rome re-
sponded to the petition of the Ca-
tholics by an Encyclical, decreed
this feast to be observed each
year on the last Saturday of Octo-
ber.

The Kingship of Christ was
publicly honoured for the first
time last year and the Catholic
Press from all parts of the world
contained gratifying reports of the
fervour and enthusiasm with
which it was celebrated. At one
of the large cities in Europe a
statue was erected in a public
square as a reminder of the true
sense which the name of this
feast implies.

Although the celebration held in
Hongkong last year was not as
elaborate as those reported by the
Catholic Press in Europe and
America, yet our local Catholics
did not fail to do their best, the
attendance at the Solemnity being
a record one.

A Committee has been formed to
look after the work involved for
this year's celebration. The de-
coration of the interior of the
Cathedral as well as the surround-
ing compound has been taken in
hand and a special mixed choir
will render appropriate hymns
during the procession which will
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altar has been erected in the open
air at the entrance of the com-
pound, from which Benediction
will be given and a Jesuit Father,
a new arrival in this Mission, will
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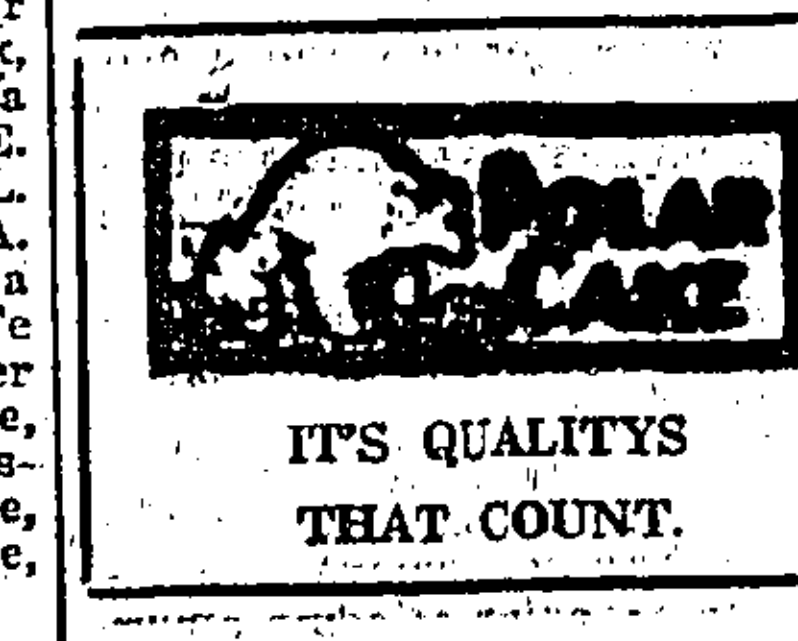
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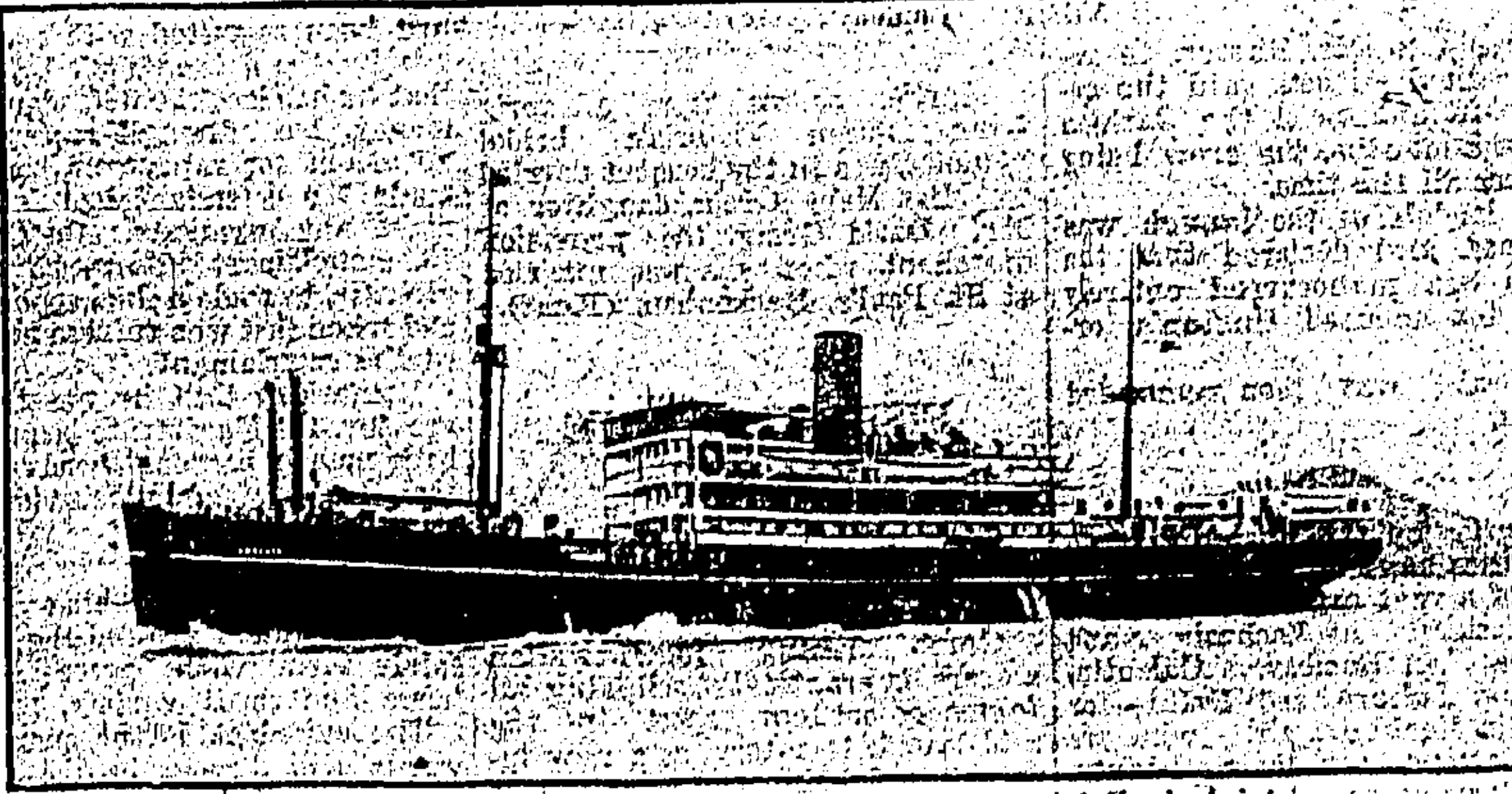
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headlights, charged at the car. Fortunately for the driver the stag slipped and fell. It was pinned down by the car. Very little damage was done to the car, and the stag, after being released, limped away.

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SERIOUS CHARGE.

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Chinese On Board.

After leaving the ship I laid down and went to sleep. The next thing I knew there was a lot of Chinese in the launch, and one of them told me he wanted to use the launch and pulled out a gun. At what wharf they were at I do not know, for I was kept down below, and they went to some wharf on Pootung side and tied up. The next thing that happened there was a lot of shooting, and the launch got underway. One of the men, that spoke good English, told me if I said anything he would get me, as he knew where I lived. There was no light in the launch so I could not see any of their faces.

I did as I was bid, as I carry no arms, and I did not say anything. I told the laodah to get out of this and get rid of this gang, and I was told to shut up by the fellow who sat just across from me in the launch, so what could I do but sit there, as this gang had the over hand on me. There was about 20 of them came on to the launch, and there was eight of them stayed down where I was. I never saw any of these men before, and I would not know them if I saw them again, and when they went to leave the launch I was told not to say anything for "we know where you live." That is the reason why I didn't make out any report. I was not offered no money of anything for bribe, but a threat if anything was said.

The gang of loafers left the launch at the N.K.K. Mail Ponton, I then carried on with my duty for the balance of the night.

These men did not speak the Shanghai dialect, but spoke so I could not understand what they were saying. The Chinese that spoke to me was a tall man, dressed in a black gown, and wore a foreign hat.

When I came off duty Sergt. Short asked me if anything happened out of the way. I told him no, for I was afraid if I said anything I would be a dead one, as these gangs of loafers want a man they will get him at all cost.

Before going on duty I remember of being in the Mess Room, and went in the Charge Room, and ask Sergt. Short anything doing he said no, and I said on duty Sergt. I was only there one minute and left.

But one thing if I had the permission to carry a gun there would have been more than one dead Chinese, or they would have got me, as I am not to carry firearms I could not say anything.

(Sd.) J. G. Huston, He should have handed this in as soon as he arrived off duty. He got off duty at 5.30 a.m. and he made the second report at 9 p.m. He should have made this report when he made the first one.

Accused's Service.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wing, witness said that the accused was in the service for two and a half years, adding that when off duty it was not his business what the man did. Asked about the crew of the Carlson, the launch inspector said that the crew consists of the laodah, two batmen, a fireman, an engineer, all Chinese, and one foreigner. The foreigners are not always on the launch, they can be changed at any moment. Referring to an occasion of some opium being smuggled, as to what he had to do Inspector Bourne said that he would have to report the matter at once, which would take him about 25 minutes, witness agreeing with Mr. Wing that it would probably be of no use.

Mr. Wing: He would be perfectly helpless if the crew turned against him? Five to one, I think he would be helpless.

You have learned about the opium from the laodah and the crew?—Yes.

Have you ever seen any opium at all in connexion with this man?—No.

In reply to Mr. Master, in re-examination, witness said the accused had charge of the Carlson for some months, the crew being the same all the time.

The laodah of the launch was examined, and declared that the launch was manoeuvred entirely under the accused, Huston's, orders.

The case was then remanded further.

Inquiries by the Kashmir State authorities have disclosed the existence of a vast organisation—with headquarters at Kashmir and branches in Bombay, Calcutta, Lucknow, Lahore, and Delhi—for traffic in Kashmiri girls, who are world-famous for their beauty. Revelations at recent trials in British India of persons charged with being engaged in white slave traffic led the Maharajah of Kashmir, Sir Hari Singh, to take drastic action, with the result that this organisation was discovered. It is understood that there are 600 of these pretty Kashmiri girls in Calcutta alone. The Maharajah recently issued a decree raising the age of marriage for girls in Kashmir.

THEOLOGICALS CLASH WITH SCIENCE.

FATHER JARRETT ON "CHEAP PHILOSOPHY."

BISHOPS OF RIPON SPEAKS.

The clash between scientists and theologians was marked by some outspokenness in pulpits in Leeds. The Bishop of Ripon, preaching in the parish church, suggested a ten-year holiday for scientists, and Father Bede Jarrett, Provincial of the Dominicans in England, made caustic reference to what he called the "cheap philosophy" of Sir Arthur Keith.

The Bishop of Ripon, in his address, asked if amid all our many new discoveries we did not seem to have lost our sense of direction, and was he wrong in thinking that the several sciences increasingly felt the need of a philosophy to co-ordinate them and so make greater the certainty as well as the fruitfulness of each. "Cannot we see (he said) how dangerous it is to add to them further unless we are all making parallel progress towards the moral and spiritual superman? Dare we go on enlarging man's body without some hope of saving his soul? Who can save man but ultimately a personal God? We must find some means for putting personality into the saddle instead of letting things ride the world to a ruin already visible.

True Science.

Father Bede Jarrett, preaching in the Catholic cathedral, said the Catholic Church to-day absorbed science and would continue to absorb science if it were true science, treating of God's workmanship and therefore leading to knowledge of God. The true scientist knew that no judgment of science was ever final or beyond challenge. A cordial recognition of that fact was indeed one of the glories of science. A discovery by some schoolboy might conceivably cause the scientist to throw overboard all the scientific theories held throughout the ages. There was nothing sacred, nothing beyond challenge in science. Science must always recognize that the last word has never been said. How foolish, then, for science to challenge dogma! Religion stood to-day unafraid of truth, for she knew that truth must lead to God.

We only got a little angry some times (he proceeded) when the president of the British Association calls in Professor G. E. Elliot Smith to say that the human brain shows no formation of any sort other than that of the brain of a chimpanzee. Then we say that it is not scientific, but that it is unscientific, mischievous, misleading, and untrue. If he had said "material formation" he would have been within his province, but in what he said he wandered out of his sphere. He did not give us science in uttering that statement. It is cheap philosophy on the lips of someone who is not a philosopher.

RUBBER SHARES.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following dividend and quotations on Rubber Shares:

Dividend.	
Bukit K. B's	5% Final.
Quotations.	
Ayer Moleks	\$ 2.00
Ayer Panas	10.20
Balgownies	2.92
Basett's	1.10
Glennally	2.65
Jeram Kuantans	1.35
Kedahs	3.95
Malaka Pindas	2.10
Pajams	2.20
Punggors	0.97
Tambalaks	1.30

"Myrtle, grown from a sprig from Queen Victoria's bridal bouquet, was in the bouquet carried by Miss Mary Greig, daughter of Mr. David Greig, the provision merchant, when she was married at St. Paul's, Beckenham (Kent).

FISHING IN THE PACIFIC.

GROWTH OF A FINE SPORT.

Game fishing in Hawaiian waters is practically eclipsing all forms of outdoor sport in the mid-Pacific territory, as a new interest in fighting the monsters of the deep seems to have been developed in recent months.

With the purchase of a new fishing boat, the Hawaii Tuna Club is active in taking out parties not only made up of members, but of visitors sojourning in Hawaii. With the appearance of the new craft a side interest seems to have grown among owners of smaller boats who have

ROBBERS CAUGHT RED-HANDED.

THRILLING SHANGHAI CHASE.

A thrilling chase by members of the Municipal Police along Ferry Road in pursuit of a gang of five armed robbers whose attempt to rob 36 Ferry Road, Shanghai, at 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday was interrupted by someone blowing a police whistle, had its sequel at the Provisional Court on Thursday when two members of the gang appeared charged with armed robbery and the theft of \$100 worth of property from 36 Ferry Road.

The accused were caught by plain-clothes foreign police officers who happened to be passing the scene of the robbery on a motor cycle when the alarm was given by neighbours, and immediately took up the pursuit of the gang, succeeding in arresting two and recovering a pistol, two revolvers and 20 round of ammunition in addition to recovering part of the stolen property. The case was remanded for a week to allow the police to make further investigations and, if possible, arrest the remaining three members of the gang still at large.

Plain-clothes constable Dalgetty and P. C. Wilcox were the two officers who pursued and caught the accused. They heard the police whistle being blown and shortly afterwards observed the two accused dashing along Ferry Road. The former dismounted from his motor-cycle and followed the fleeing robbers overtaking one of them upon whom was found a pistol with seven bullets in the magazine. P. C. Wilcox, of Louza Station who was on patrol near the spot, fired a shot at the second robber without hitting him, but causing him to halt and submit to arrest. On this man was found part of the stolen property.

The accused were questioned before the Court before being remanded. The first said that he was formerly a houseboy employed at a house on Sinza Road. He admitted that the pistol found in his possession was his and that the property recovered had been stolen at the point of the gun from 36 Ferry Road. "I met a man named Siau Kuh who told me that a man who had plenty of opium lived at 36 Ferry Road," he told the Judge, "that is why I participated in the robbery."

The second accused claimed to be a native of Shanghai, with his home at Pootung. Two days before, he said, a man had also told him that there was a great deal of opium at the above address. It was said to belonging to a Communist who had recently arrived from Nanking. It was to steal this that he and the other members of the gang went to the house. "But," he said, "I had no pistol and merely kept watch at the door."

The police testified that one of the pistols which was recovered by the police had been thrown away in an alleyway close by 36 Ferry Road. The other was taken from the person of the first accused.

Judge Li and Deputy Meinhardt occupied the Bench. Judge Li ordered the accused to be held in custody during the period of remand.

A DISPUTE OVER A LOAN.

MAGISTRATE ARBITRATES IN QUARREL.

The fiks of a contractor who did business at 477 Queen's Road West appeared before Major C. Willson, this morning, to settle the difference which existed between them as the outcome of a fight which took place on October 15.

The complainant claimed that he had been assaulted with a wooden tub by the defendant. He added that he had lent the defendant some money, but although repeated applications for repayment had been made the defendant had failed to make any payments. On October 15, complainant informed the Magistrate, he made a final application, and when that was refused he rushed the complainant.

Remarking that he was the aggressor, the Magistrate bound over both men in personal bonds of \$50 each to be of good behaviour for six months.

taken to deep sea fishing seeing that the waters around the island fairly teem with game fish of large and small variety.

The swordfish is the quarry towards which most of the fisherman turn their efforts. During the past few weeks scores of them have been landed by Honolulu parties, and in sporting circles, tricking this monster seems to be "quite the thing." The calm waters off the Kona coast on the island of Hawaii are the favourite fishing grounds as not only swordfish, but tuna, mahimahi (dolphin), ono, and other game varieties are found in abundance.

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